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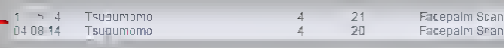

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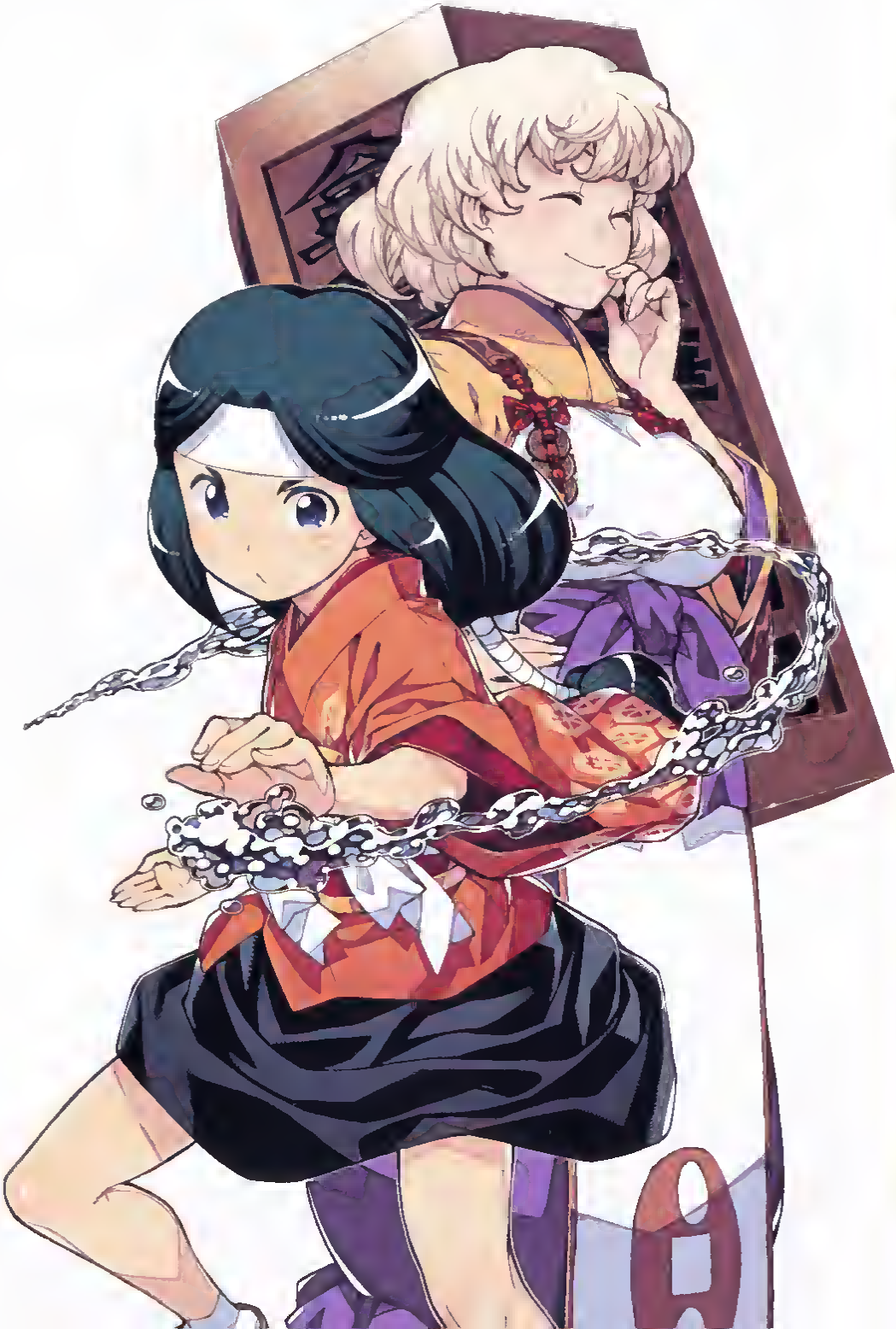

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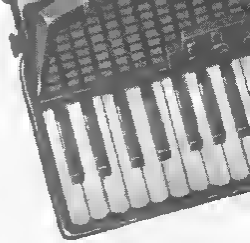

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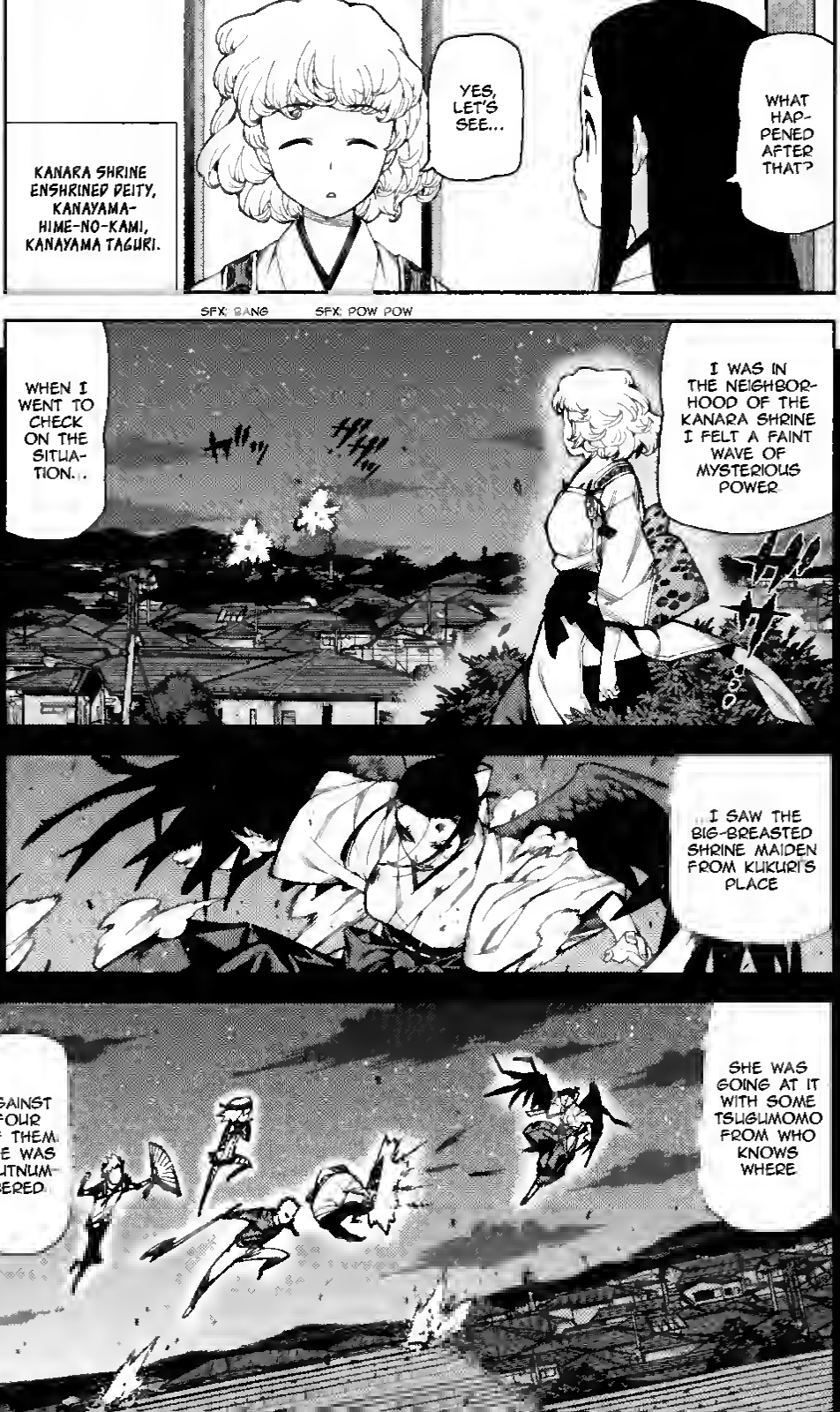
!!
SFX RAGGED
KO-KU-YOU ?!
ボロ…

YES.
FOR THE TIME BEING WOULD YOU BRING THEM TO ME AS YOU USUALLY DO?
HOW CURIOUS. A GROUP OF FOUR TSUGUMOMO TRAVELLING TOGETHER...
SFX. FLAP
SFX LEAP
..AS A MATTER OF FACT, I DID THINK IT WAS STRANGE THAT KOKUYOU HADN'T RETURNED YET


KANARA SHRINE ENSHRINED DEITY, KANAYAMA-HIME-NO-KAMI, KANAYAMA TAGURI.
YES, LET'S SEE...
WHAT HAP-PENED AFTER THAT?
SFX: GANG
SFX: POW POW
WHEN I WENT TO CHECK ON THE SITUA-TION...
I WAS IN THE NEIGHBOR-HOOD OF THE KANARA SHRINE I FELT A FAINT WAVE OF MYSTERIOUS POWER
SFX RUSTLE
...I SAW THE BIG-BREASTED SHRINE MAIDEN FROM KUKURI'S PLACE
SHE WAS GOING AT IT WITH SOME TSUKUMOMO FROM WHO KNOWS WHERE
AGAINST FOUR OF THEM. SHE WAS OUTNUM-BERED.

SFX CLANG
SFX WHOOSH
SFX CRASH
GRAA
SFX WHOOM
!?

OH MY, YOU'RE A REAL MESS, AREN'T YOU?
WHAT A CRUEL THING TO DO
THIS GIRL IS THE GOD OF THE LAND'S SHRINE MAIDEN.
I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU AS-SAULTED HER WHILE KNOWING THAT?
IF YOU WANT TO FIGHT MORE, IT'LL HAVE TO BE WITH ME, YOU KNOW?
SFX LEAP
TSK.

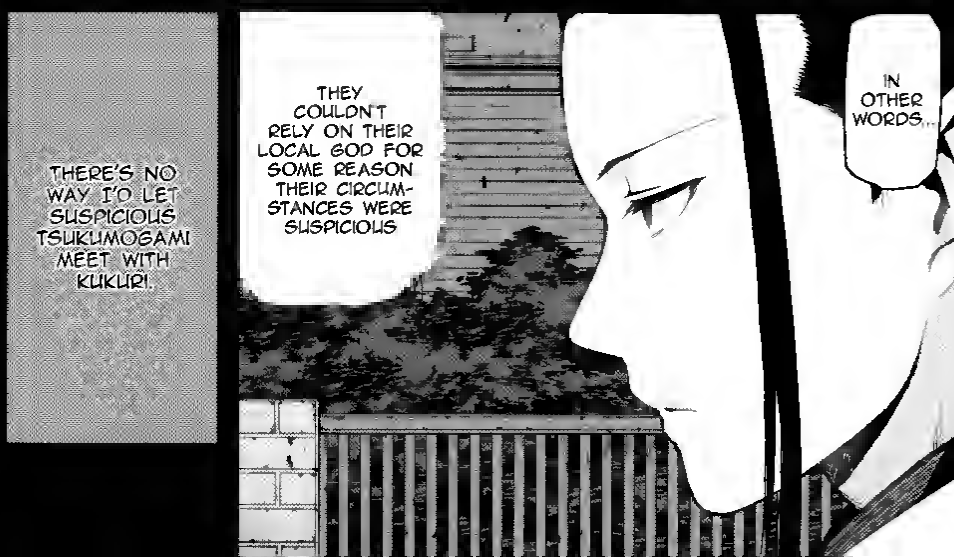
KOKU-YOU, GO BACK TO SLEEP!
NOW NOW, DON'T OVERDO IT.
...GH I'LL EXPLAIN FROM HERE

SFX: GROAN

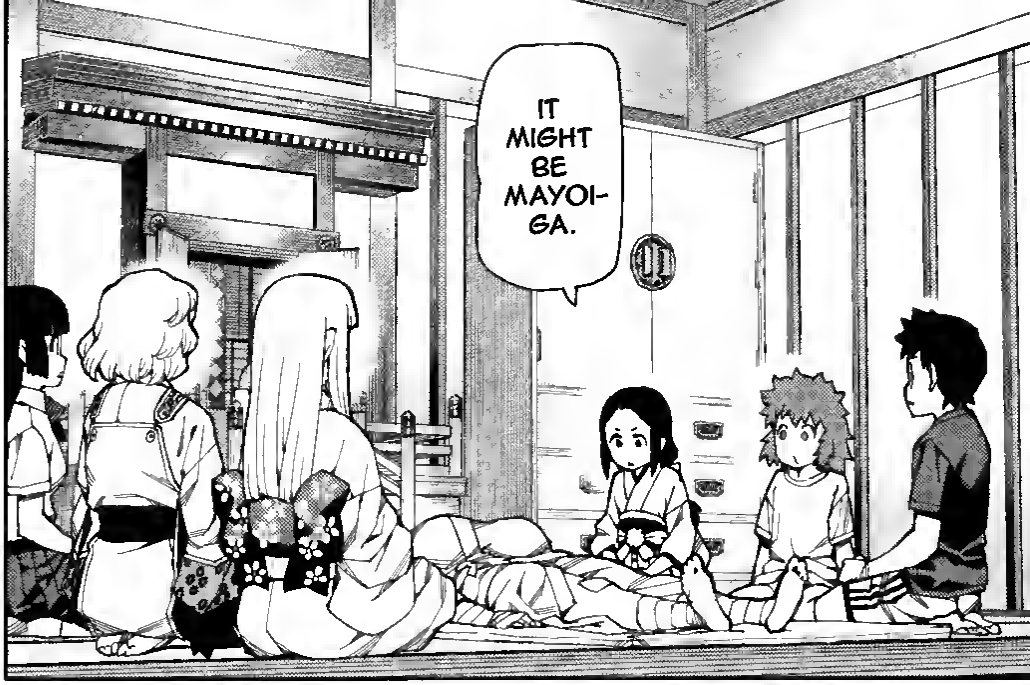
THEY CAME TO REQUEST PROTECTION FROM THE GOD OF THE LAND
THEY COULDN'T BEAR THEIR OWNER'S TYRANNY AND FLED IN THE NIGHT

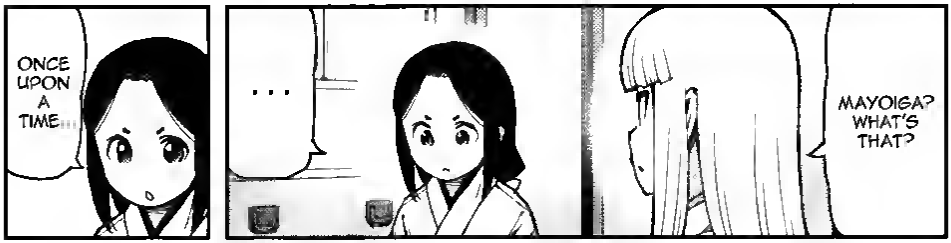
ABOUT WHAT THE FOUR TSU-GUMOMO TOLD ME..

ON TOP OF THAT, THEY CROSSED THE BOUNDARY COMING HERE
ALTHOUGH FOUR AT ONCE IS UNUSUAL
THAT SORT OF APPEAL ISN'T UN-COMMON

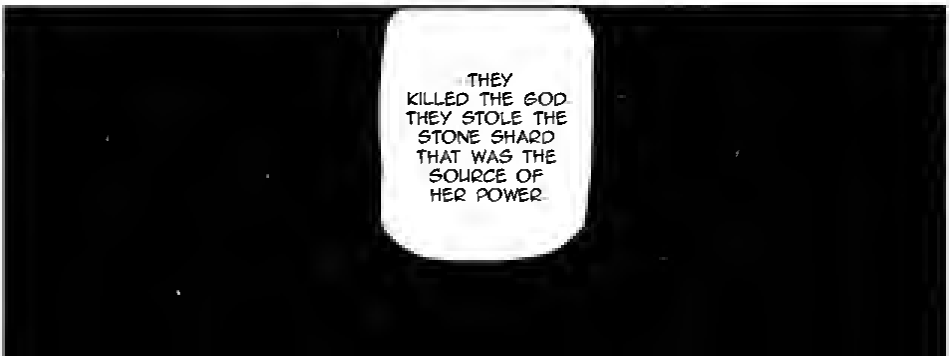

THERE'S NO WAY I'D LET SUSPICIOUS TSUKUMOGAMI MEET WITH KUKURI.
THEY COULDN'T RELY ON THEIR LOCAL GOD FOR SOME REASON THEIR CIRCUM-STANCES WERE SUSPICIOUS
IN OTHER WORDS...

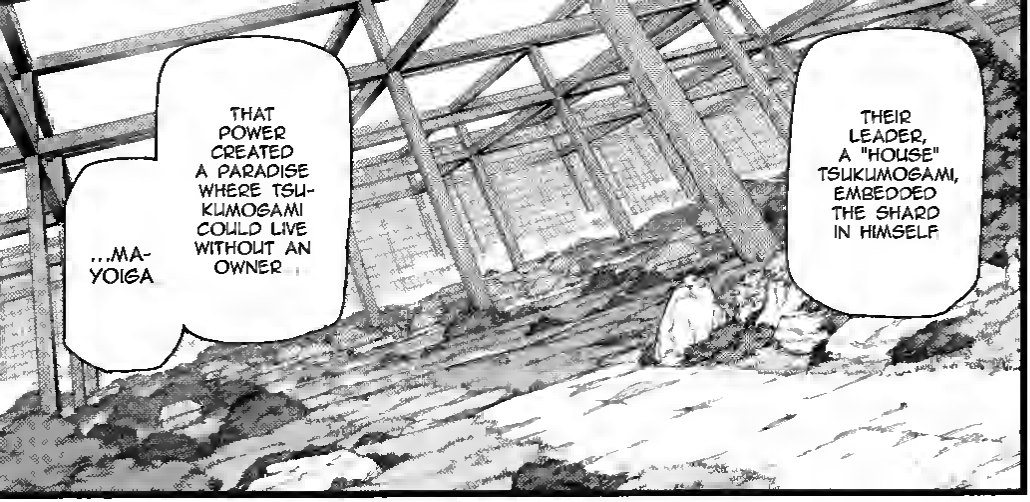
SFX WHOOSH
WHEN I TOLD THEM THAT...
AFTER THAT, WITH THAT GOD'S INTRODUCTION I COULD TAKE THEM WITH ME
FIRST OF ALL THEY WOULD NEED TO DISCUSS IT WITH THEIR LOCAL GOD
NO. LOSING TO TSUGUMOMO OF THAT LEVEL IS MY OWN FAULT
I'M SO SORRY SENDING YOU OUT ALONE, KOKUYOU, THAT WAS THOUGHTLESS OF ME
HUH?
I HAVE AN IDEA
I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY WOULD ATTACK KOKUYOU
WHO ARE THEY?
RIGHT, KUKURI?


IT MIGHT BE MAYOI-GA.

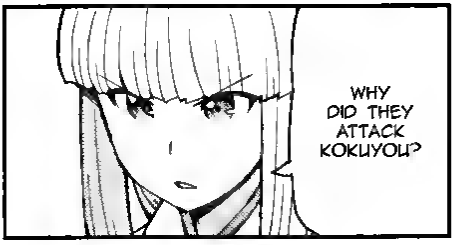

ONCE UPON A TIME...
...
MAYOIGA? WHAT'S THAT?

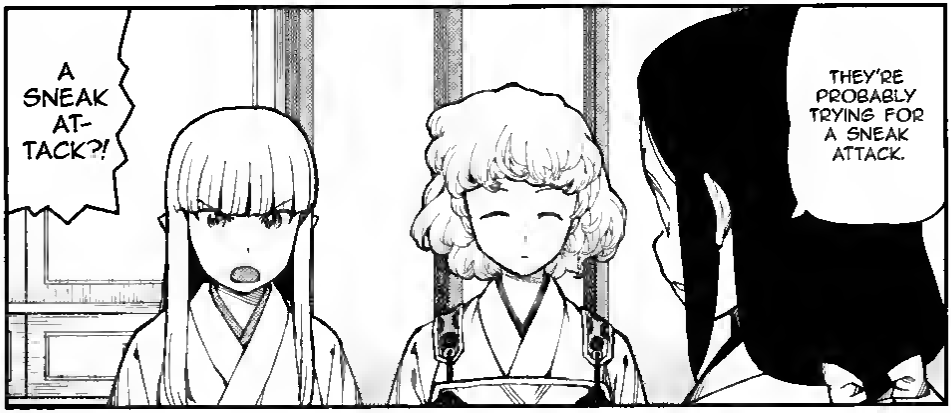
WHEN THEIR MASS APPEAL TO THE GOD OF THE LAND FOR PROTECTION WAS REFUSED...
...THERE WAS A GROUP OF TSUKUMOGAMI WHO COULDN'T TOLERATE HUMAN OPPRESSION...


...THEY KILLED THE GOD THEY STOLE THE STONE SHARD THAT WAS THE SOURCE OF HER POWER.


THEIR LEADER, A "HOUSE" TSUKUMOGAMI, EMBEDDED THE SHARD IN HIMSELF
THAT POWER CREATED A PARADISE WHERE TSUKUMOGAMI COULD LIVE WITHOUT AN OWNER
...MAYOIGA

TO KEEP ME FROM FINDING OUT ABOUT THEM.


WHY DID THEY ATTACK KOKUYOU?


A SNEAK ATTACK?!
THEY'RE PROBABLY TRYING FOR A SNEAK ATTACK.

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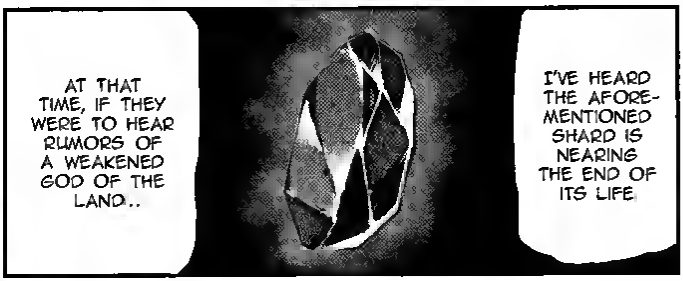
AT THAT TIME, IF THEY WERE TO HEAR RUMORS OF A WEAKENED GOD OF THE LAND..
I'VE HEARD THE AFOREMENTIONED SHARD IS NEARING THE END OF ITS LIFE.

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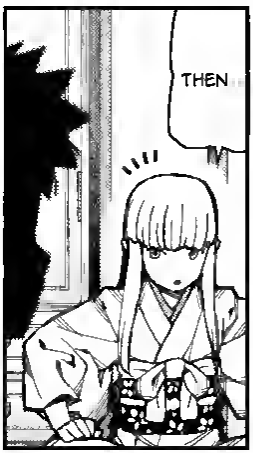
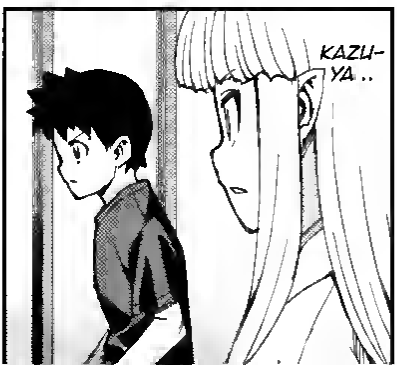
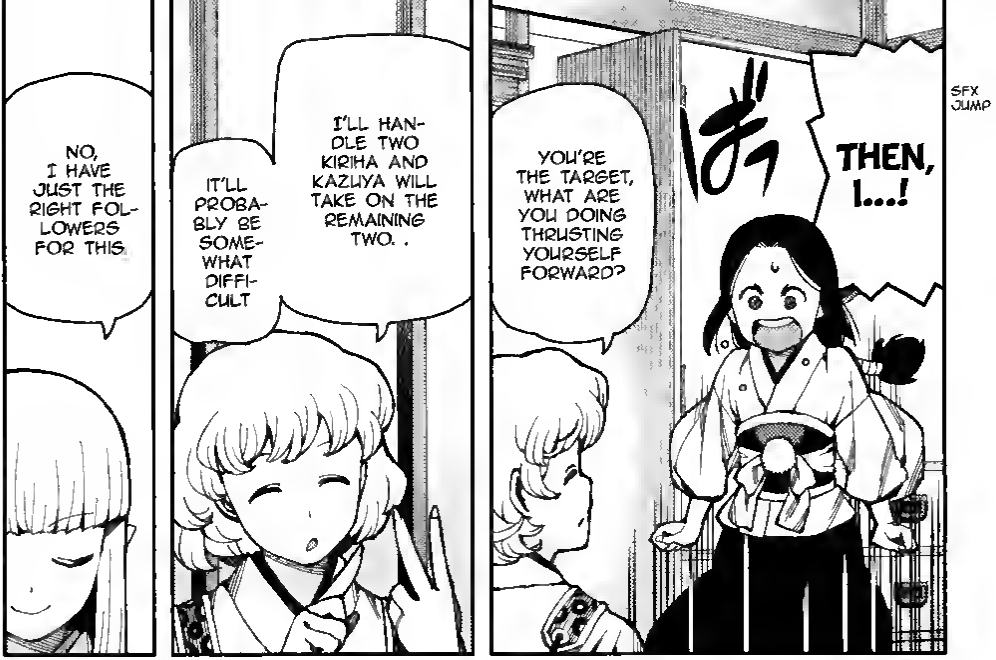
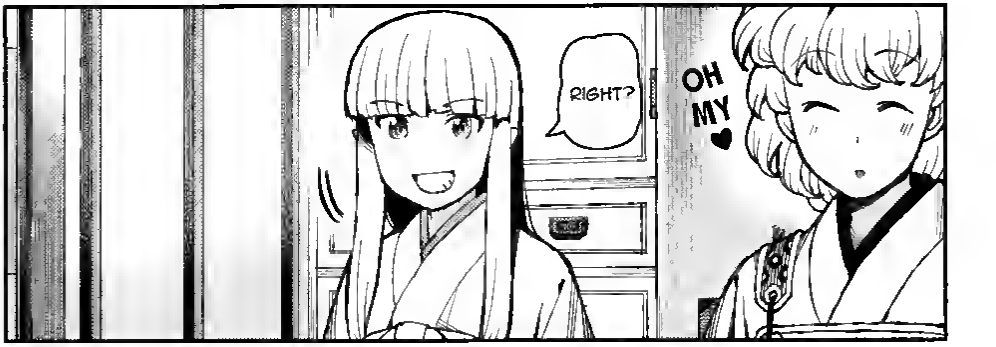
THEY'RE PROBABLY LOOKING TO KILL ME AND STEAL MY SHARD.


THEN

SO, THEY WILL PROBABLY COME HERE AND ATTACK WHEN EVERYONE'S ASLEEP
THE TRUTH IS, AFTER THAT, THEY FOLLOWED ME DOGGEDLY I COULDN'T GIVE THEM THE SLIP


KAZUYA..

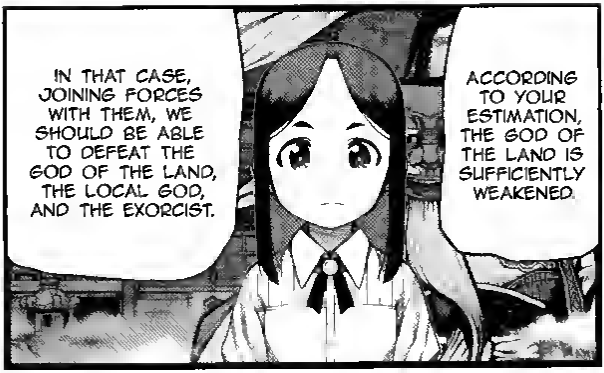

SFX
JUMP
THEN, I...!
YOU'RE THE TARGET, WHAT ARE YOU DOING THRUSTING YOURSELF FORWARD?
I'LL HANDLE TWO KIRIHA AND KAZUYA WILL TAKE ON THE REMAINING TWO. .
IT'LL PROBABLY BE SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT
NO, I HAVE JUST THE RIGHT FOLLOWERS FOR THIS.


OH MY ♥
RIGHT?

OH?

WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
RIGHT HERE'S THEIR PORTRAITS
ON TOP OF THAT, HELPING THE EXORCIST?!
ATTACKERS FROM MAYOIGA?!
!
THE GROUP BACK THEN THAT IGNORED OUR URGES OF RESTRAINT AND PLANNED TO ATTACK THE GOD!
GENBU, THE "AXE", KYOUKA, THE "FLUTE", SENGA, THE "FAN", JUNGOU, THE "SHIELD"

AZAMI DOESN'T SEEM TO HAVE NOTICED IT.
THEIR DEPARTURE MUST STILL BE A SECRET IN MAYOIGA...
OR WAIT, IS IT BEING HIDDEN FROM THE AZAMI IN MAYOIGA...?


ACCORDING TO YOUR ESTIMATION, THE GOD OF THE LAND IS SUFFICIENTLY WEAKENED.
IN THAT CASE, JOINING FORCES WITH THEM, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DEFEAT THE GOD OF THE LAND, THE LOCAL GOD, AND THE EXORCIST.

NOW MAY BE THE TIME TO TAKE DECISIVE ACTION
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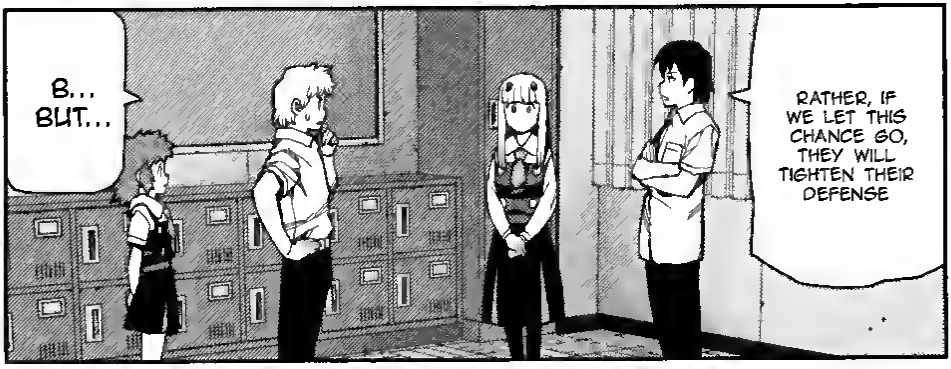
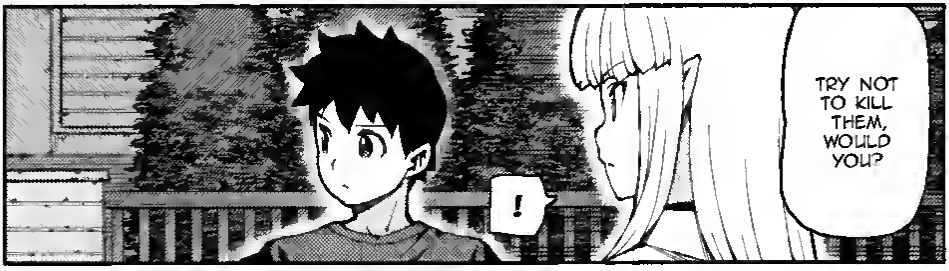
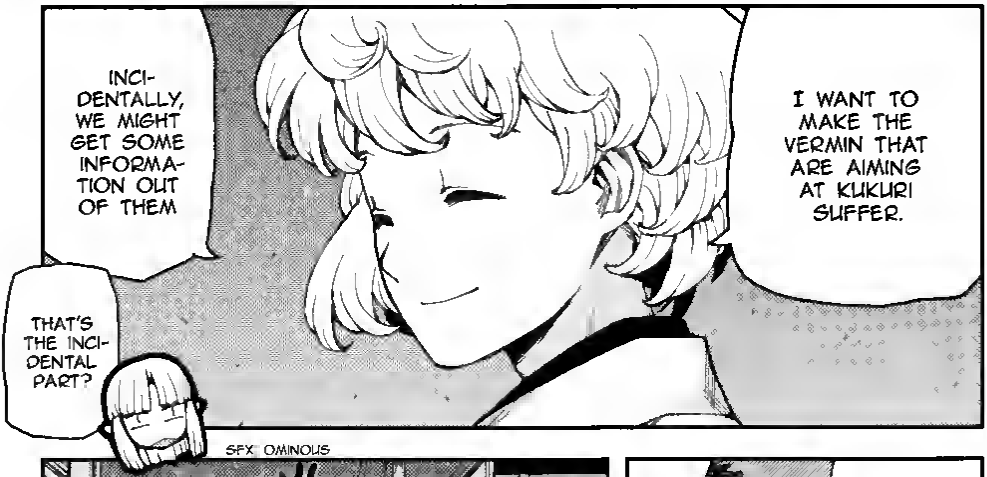

RATHER, IF WE LET THIS CHANCE GO, THEY WILL TIGHTEN THEIR DEFENSE
B... BUT...

AH...
IF I MAY?

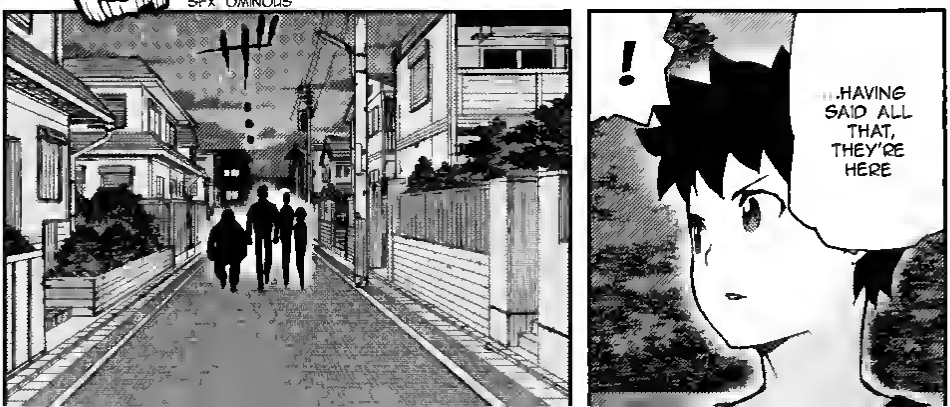
WHEN COULD THEY BE COM-ING
I DON'T THINK WE'LL NEED TO WAIT THAT LONG
THEY'LL PROBABLY TRY TO FINISH IT BEFORE WE STRENGTHEN OUR DEFENSE

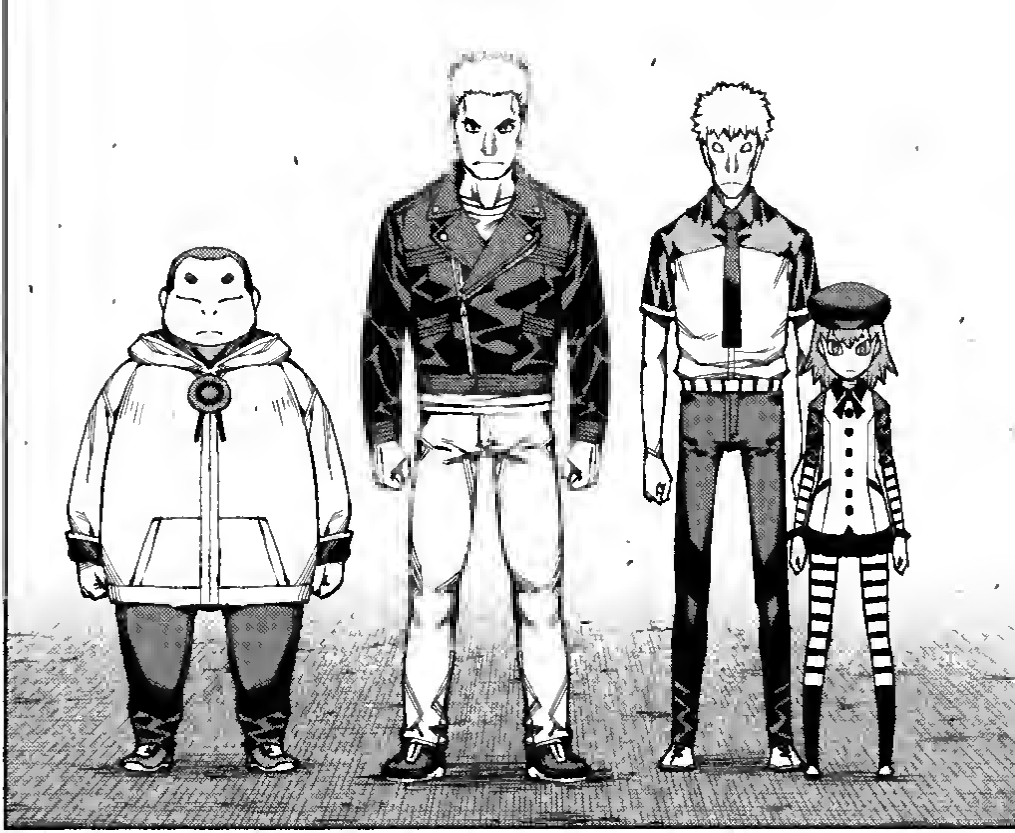
SFX DING

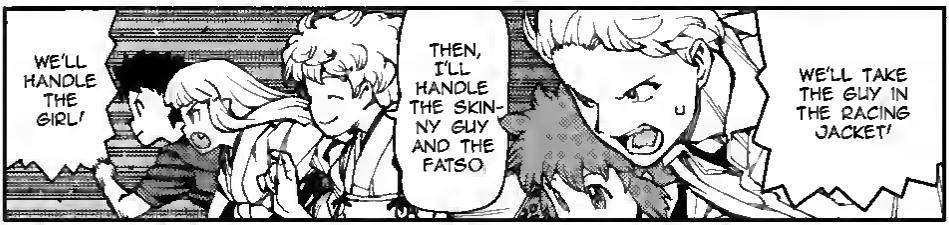




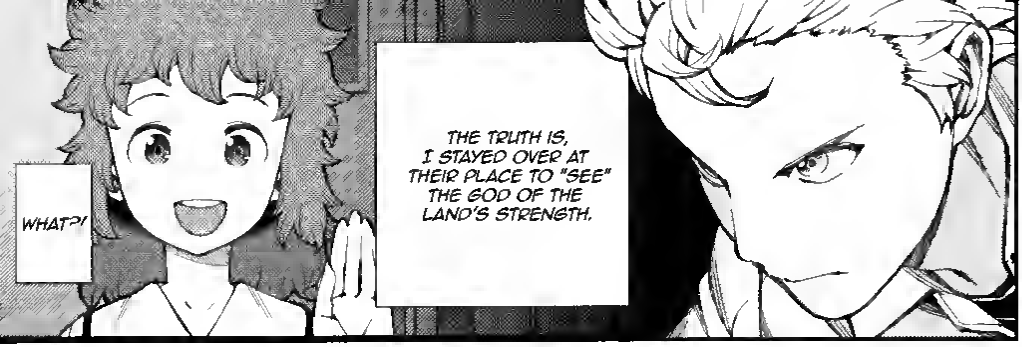
SFX OMINOUS

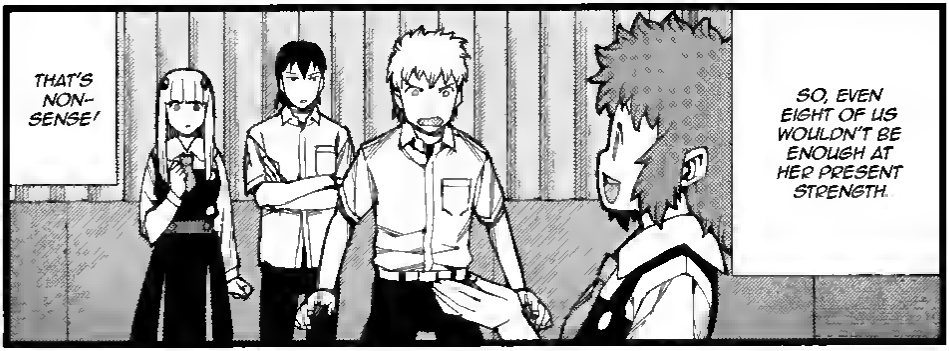


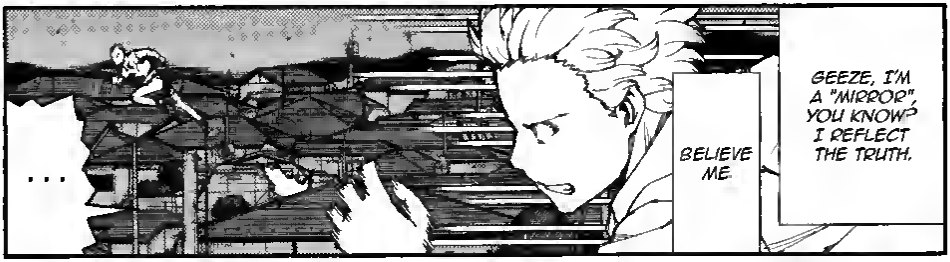



WE'LL HANDLE THE GIRL!
THEN, I'LL HANDLE THE SKINNY GUY AND THE FATSO.
WE'LL TAKE THE GUY IN THE RACING JACKET!

SFX: ZOOM







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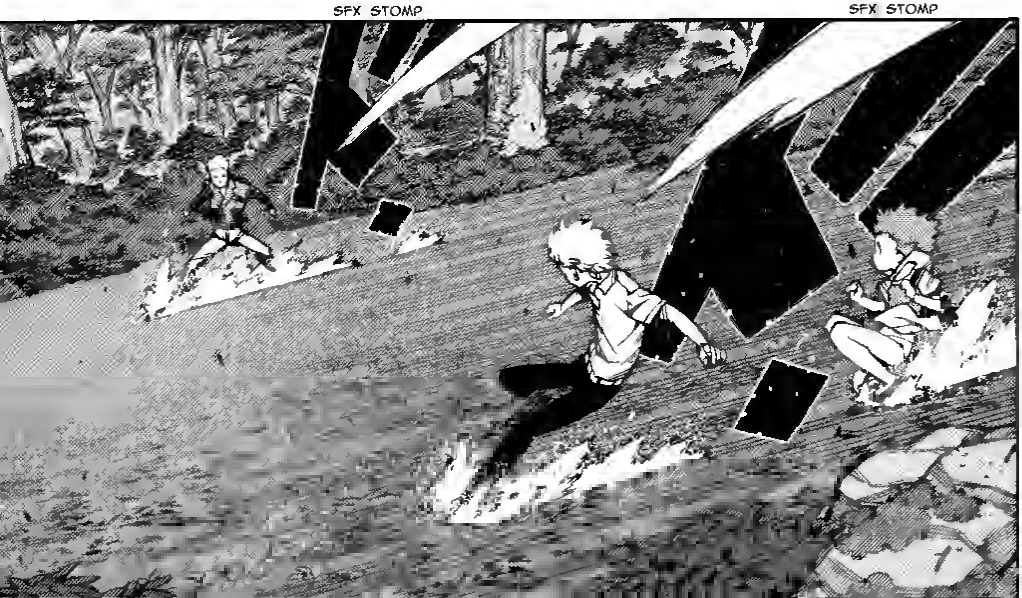

SFX: FWSSHH
THINK THIS OVER, GENBU.
IT'S STILL NOT THE RIGHT TIME
DON'T INTER-FERE, AKITO
WE'VE PROBABLY ALREADY BEEN EXPOSED AS COMING FROM "MAYOIGA" WE'VE GOT NO REASON TO STOP.
YOU'RE WRONG AC-CORDING TO MIMANE, THE GOD OF THE LAND ISN'T "AWAKE" YET.
UNTIL THEN, DON'T PROVOKE HER
...

...!
NOKA-MI
GAN-JOU
KIZU-TSUKI
KIDOU
GARAN
KOUUN
THOSE ARE OUR COMRADES THAT HAVE PASSED AWAY SINCE WE BEGAN FOL-LOWING THIS STRATEGY.
THERE ARE YET MORE IN CRITICAL CONDITION
WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO DO IT RIGHT NOW
...I'M SORRY
. . .
. . .
HEH
I'VE NEVER LIKED YOU ANYWAY, ASSHOLE.
SAME HERE
SFX: POOF

SFX ZAP
!?
SFX CRACKLE
WHAT?!

WHY DON'T WE HAVE SOME FUN?
THANKS TO THIS, NO ONE WILL INTERFERE
SIX STEEL BARRIERS.
OKAY, SENGA!
...TSK.
LET'S GO, JUNGOU!
SFX SWOOSH
SFX POOF
COME TO ME, DIAMOND BISHOP.

SFX
PHWING
SFX SPLASH
UGH!

AHAHA! SOOO SLOPPY.
YOU CALL YOURSELF AN EXORCIST?
IF IT'S LIKE THIS, THE GOD OF THE LAND WILL BE EASY TOO!
SFX INHALE
SPIRAL WEAVE!
SFX WHOOSH
TIGHTEN

AZURE VIBRA-
TION FLUTE!
SOUND WALL!
SFX PIIING
THE AZURE VIBRATION FLUTE HAS NO BLIND SPOTS!
WHA!

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EVEN IF IT'S TWO-ON-ONE, IT WON'T MATTER.
BOOORING.

WE'LL SETTLE THIS ONE-ON-ONE.
YOU PULL BACK.
HEY, HEY, CAN I HELP TOO?

SFX CLASH

SFX
CLANG
SFX
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
SFX
PULL
WHOOSH
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GAH-
SWISH
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WHAM!

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SLAM
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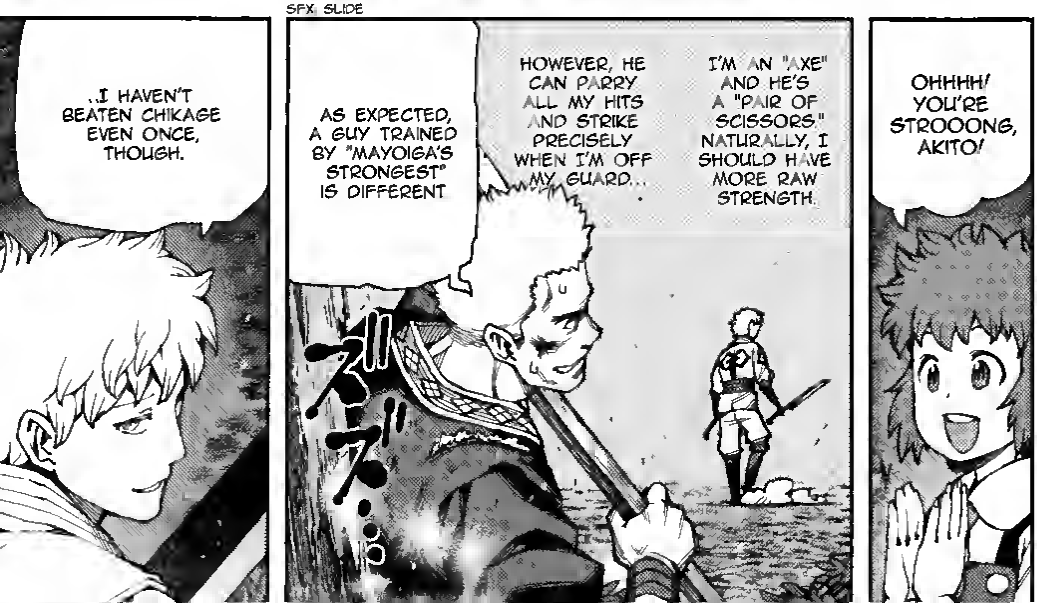
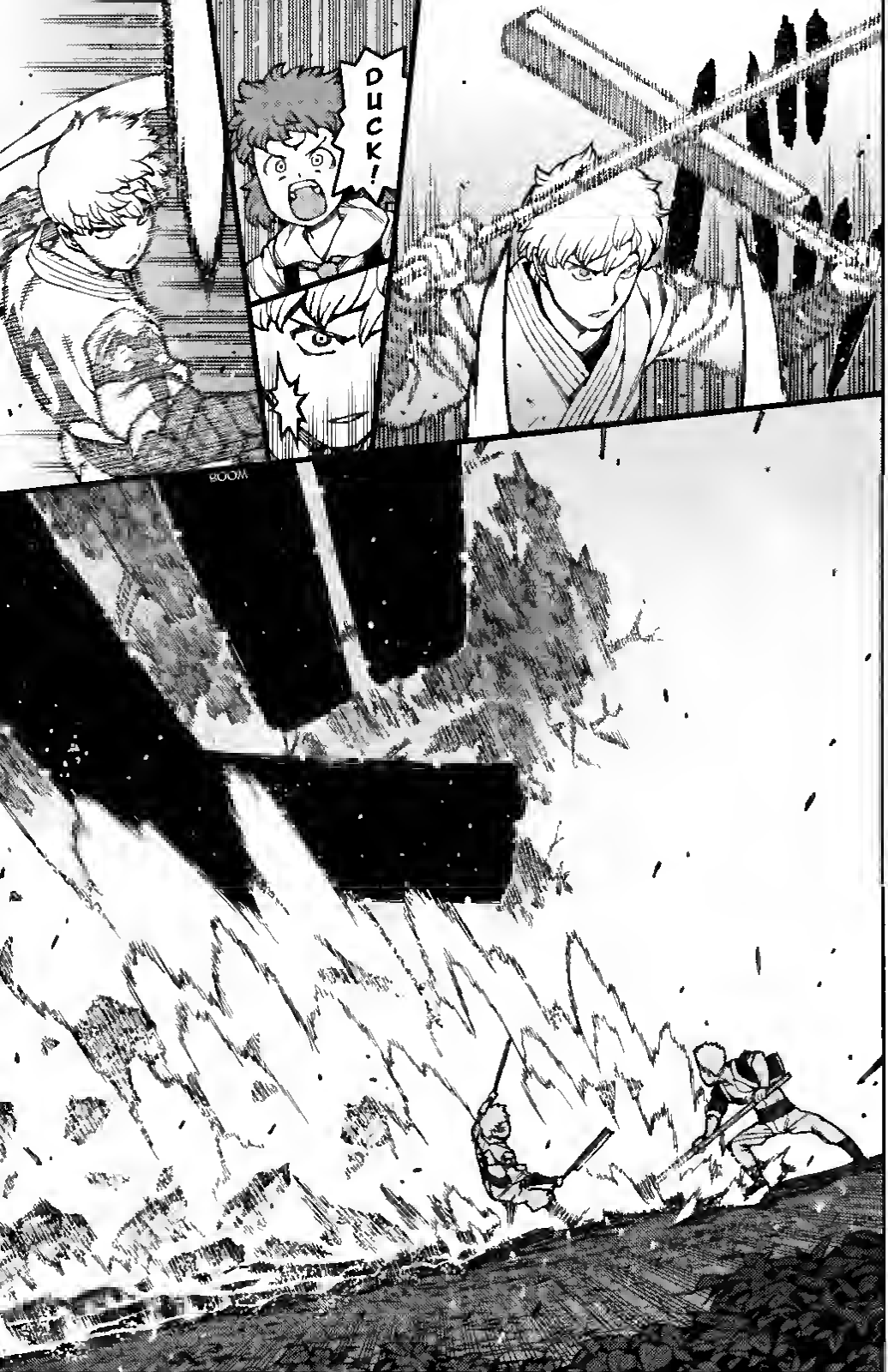
GH!!


SFX. SLIDE
..I HAVEN'T BEATEN CHIKAGE EVEN ONCE, THOUGH.
AS EXPECTED, A GUY TRAINED BY "MAYOIGA'S STRONGEST" IS DIFFERENT
HOWEVER, HE CAN PARRY ALL MY HITS AND STRIKE PRECISELY WHEN I'M OFF MY GUARD...
I'M AN "AXE" AND HE'S A "PAIR OF SCISSORS." NATURALLY, I SHOULD HAVE MORE RAW STRENGTH.
OHHHH! YOU'RE STROOONG, AKITO!

NO HARD FEELINGS, AKITO
HEH HEH I CAN'T HOLD BACK, EH.
SFX STAGGER
SFX SWING
AXE-FORM!
SFX SWOOSH
CHOP!


DUCK!
SFX
FWOOSH
BOOM

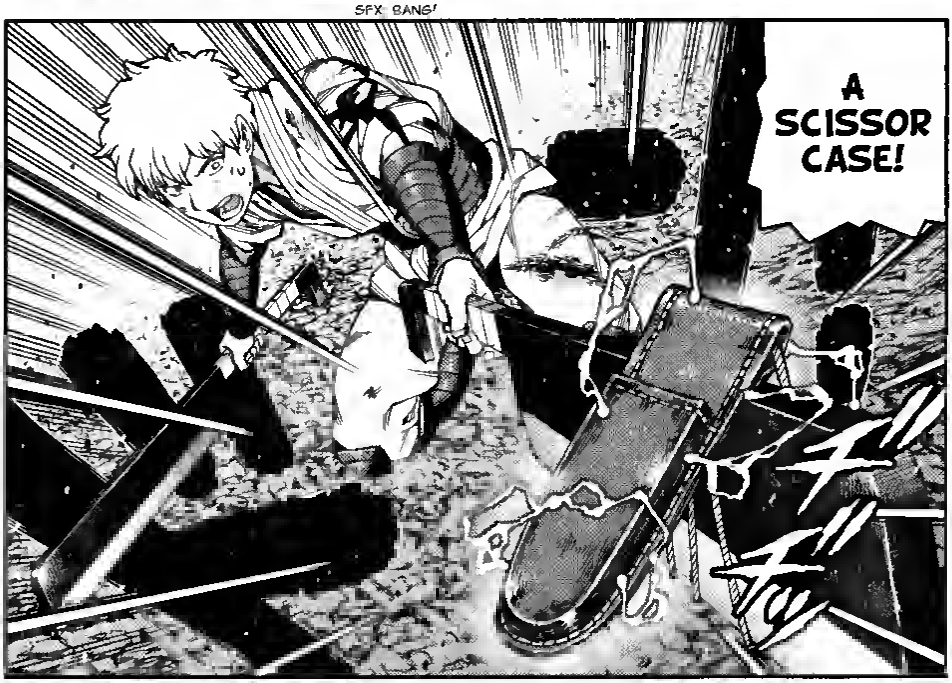
...GH!
SWOOSH
ズズ...
HAH!
AXE-FORM!
UP-PER-CUT!
SFX WHAM

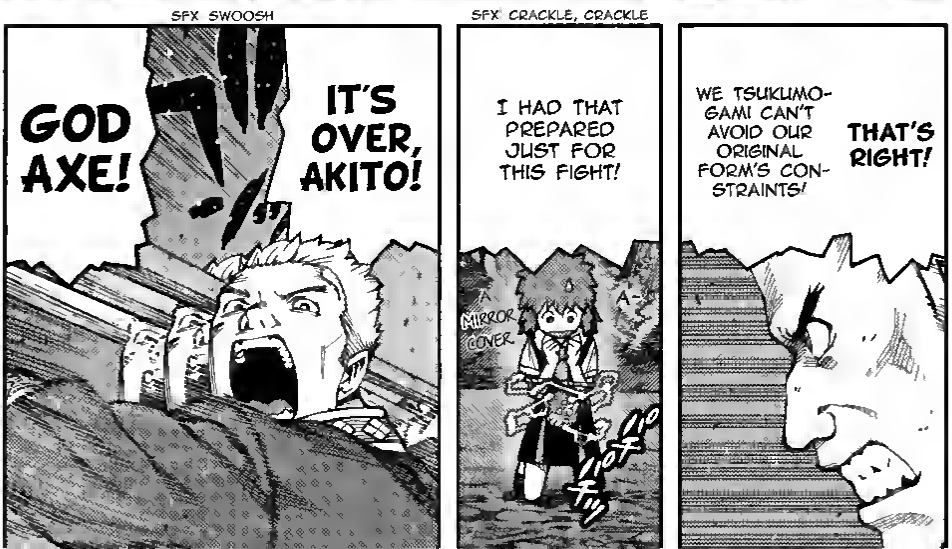
SWOOSH
AXE-FORM!
NEW!
GUUUH!
SFX SHOOM
SFX LEAP LEAP
WH—
FROM AN EMPTY SPACE?!
SFX SLASH
SFX CLANG CLANK SLASH CLINK
GASP
I WILL WIN!
HA HA, IT'S OVER-WHELMING! I CAN WIN!

SFX
SHOOM
TAKE YOUR FRIENDS AND GO HOME.
THIS IS YOUR LAST WARNING, GENBU.
WHEN WAS I CUT?!
WHAT?!
NEXT TIME I WON'T STOP AT YOUR SKIN.

NEVERTHELESS, I WON'T BE BACKING DOWN ANY MORE!
SFX FWOOSH
SFX CLANG
!!?
SFX SLUMP
SFX CRACKLE CRACKLE

...IT'S THAT?!
MY BODY IS NOT LISTENING!


SFX: BANG!
A SCISSOR CASE!
SFX: SPARK SPARK


SFX: SWOOSH
GOD AXE!
IT'S OVER, AKITO!
SFX: CRACKLE, CRACKLE
I HAD THAT PREPARED JUST FOR THIS FIGHT!
A MIRROR COVER
A-
WE TSUKUMO-GAMI CAN'T AVOID OUR ORIGINAL FORM'S CONSTRAINTS!
THAT'S RIGHT!

TRIPLE
CORE
CUT!!

SFX
FWOOOO
UGH...
LET'S PUT AN END TO THIS QUICKLY
TRIVIAL.
SFX INHALE

PHOOSH
DIA-
MOND
FALLING
BLOS-
SOM!
HEAV-
ENLY
DEFEN-
SIVE
FORMA-
TION!
WHOOSH
THAT'S
FUTILE!
BOOM
SHIELD
WALL!

GUH!
WHOOSH
SFX
CHARGE
BATTLE FAN ENTER-TAIN-MENT!
FWOOSH
DANC-ING FAN!
SFX
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM

WHIZ
WHIZ
WHIZ
WHIZ
DIA-
MOND
COINS!
SFX
FWIP
BAT-
TLE
FAN
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MENT!
FLAP
SFX
BAM
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WHOOSH
FALL-
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ERS!
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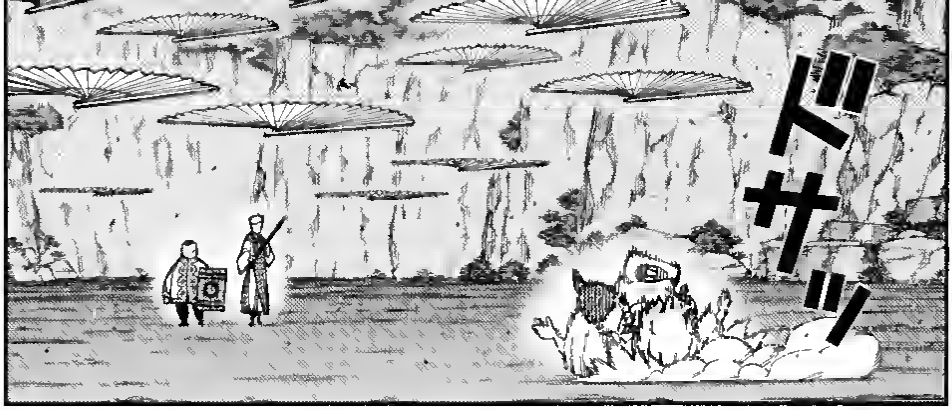
SFX
FSSHH

SFX
SHOOM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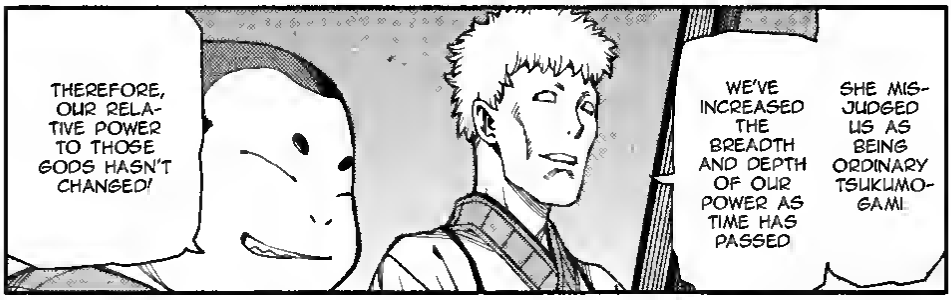
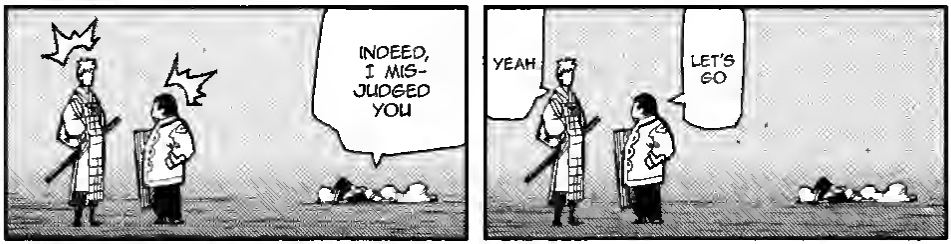
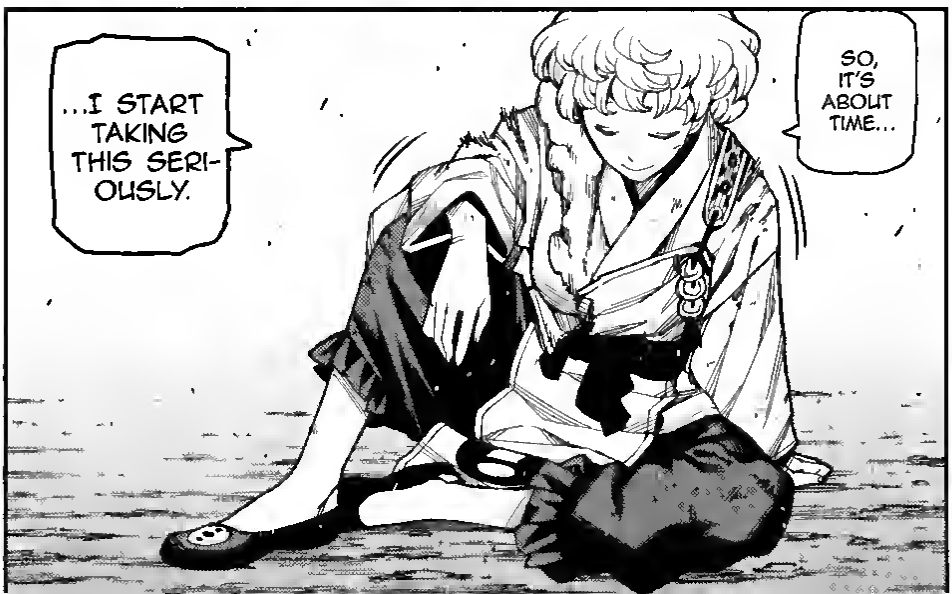
SFX
THUD

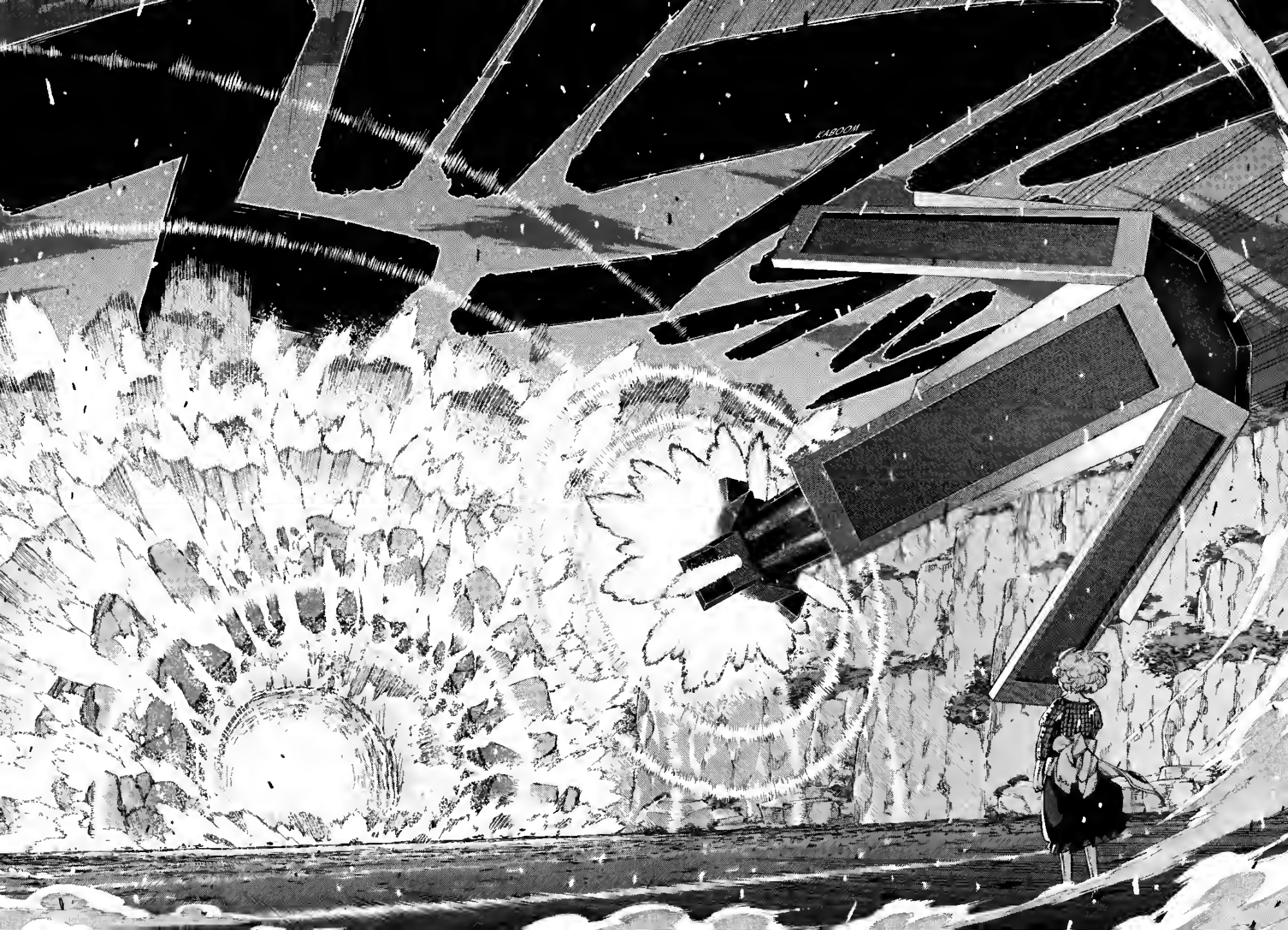

SHE MIS-JUDGED US AS BEING ORDINARY TSUKUMO-GAMI.
WE'VE INCREASED THE BREADTH AND DEPTH OF OUR POWER AS TIME HAS PASSED
THEREFORE, OUR RELATIVE POWER TO THOSE GODS HASN'T CHANGED!


INDEED, I MIS-JUDGED YOU
YEAH
LET'S GO


SO, IT'S ABOUT TIME...
...I START TAKING THIS SERI-OUSLY.

AH.
THE FALLING FLOWERS SHOULD'VE TOTALLY PENETRATED HER!
IT HAD NO EFFECT?!
SFX RIP
NOW THEN...
SFX LIFT
SOMETHING OF THAT LEVEL CAN'T PIERCE ME.
SHALL WE FINISH THIS?
...I'VE GOTTEN A FEEL FOR MAYOIGA'S STRENGTH.
SFX VOOOOM
KA-CHING

SFX
CLACK
I'M GONNA BLOCK IT AT FULL POWER!
THAT LOOKS BAD!
...!
WH— WHAT?!
BATTLE FAN ENTER-TAINMENT! JEWELED CHAPLET!
HEAVENLY DEFENSIVE FORMATION! HEAVENLY STONE SHIELD!
FWOOSH
SFX
RUMBLE
FLOW-ING IRON SAND.
DIA-MOND BISH-OP.


KABOOM

SFX WOOOO
MAYOIGA... WE CAN'T UNDERESTIMATE THEM
TO THINK I HAD TO "OPEN" AN DIAMOND BISHOP
SFX STEP, STEP
SFX SIZZLE, SIZZLE
OH WELL, IT'S FINE
OH MY, I MEANT TO LEAVE ONE OF THEM ALIVE.
SFX STEP
NATURALLY, THEY DIE.
CRUSH
THEY'RE FILTH THAT WENT AFTER LITTLE KUKURI

SFX WHOOM
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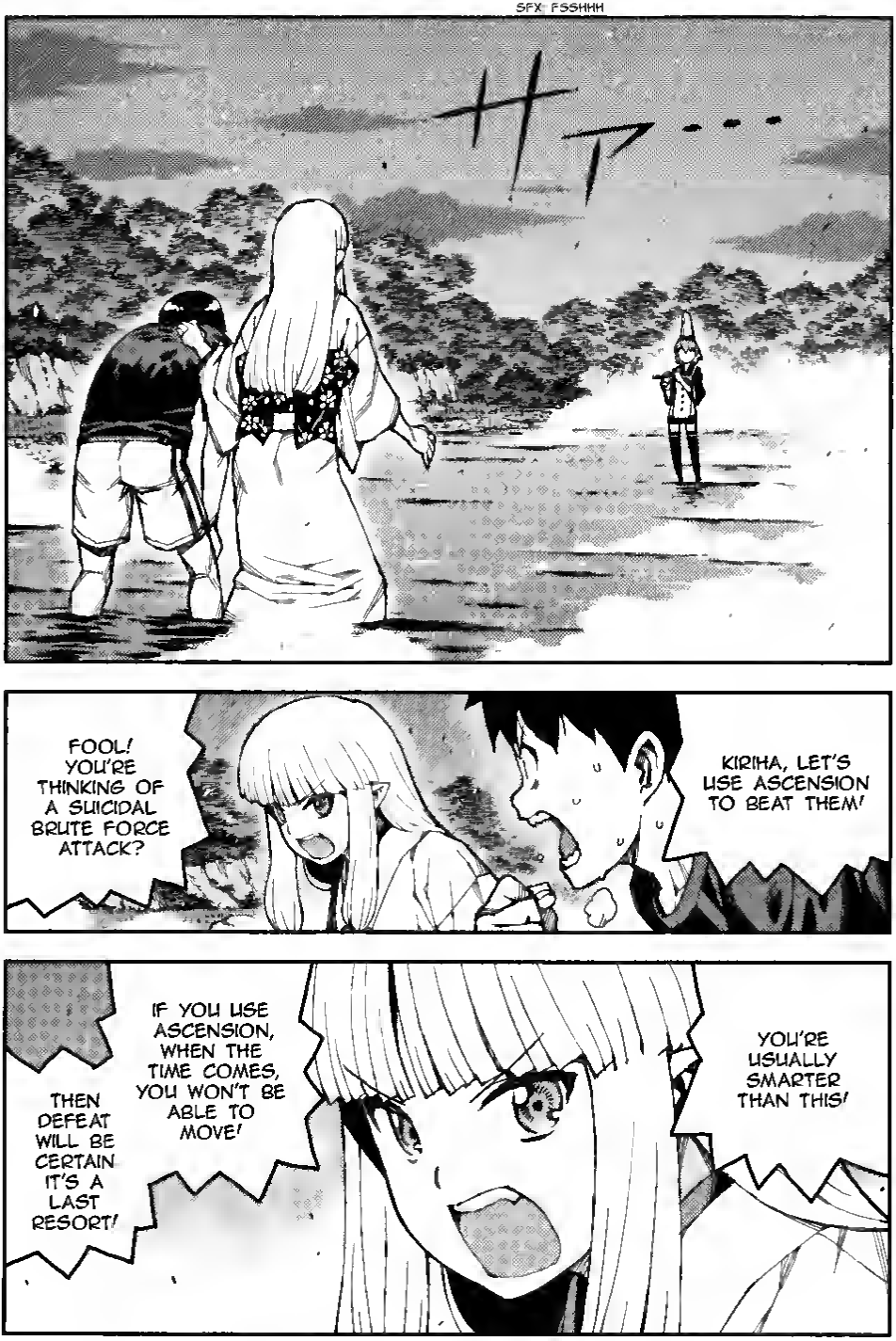
SFX RIPPLE
AHAHAHA, IT MISSED! YOU'RE A LUCKY GUY!
OK, ONE MORE!
ズズ…
WHA...!

AZURE VIBRATION FLUTE! HIGH PITCH IMPACT!
SFX PIIING
UGH!
SFX BOOM
THE SHOCK WAVE'S INVISI-BLE!
GET SOME DISTANCE, KAZUYA!

SFX: TIGHTEN
LEG EN-HANCE!
THERE IS STILL MORE ON THE WAY!
SFX: INHALE
SFX: BOOM BOOM BOOM
HAM-MER...
SFX: WHOOSH
AZURE VIBRA-TION FLUTE
DON'T BE RASH, KAZUYA!

SFX: HUMMM
TUBE TONE HAM-MER!
SFX: SWAY
SPLASH
SFX: COUGH

SFX POOF
AS IF!
AND TO END IT.
HIGH PITCH IM-PACT!!
SFX PIIING
SHIELD WEAVE!
WHAM
SFX DASH
SFX BOOM, BOOM, BOOM, BOOM


SFX: FSSHHH
FOOL! YOU'RE THINKING OF A SUICIDAL BRUTE FORCE ATTACK?
KIRIHA, LET'S USE ASCENSION TO BEAT THEM!
THEN DEFEAT WILL BE CERTAIN IT'S A LAST RESORT!
IF YOU USE ASCENSION, WHEN THE TIME COMES, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO MOVE!
YOU'RE USUALLY SMARTER THAN THIS!

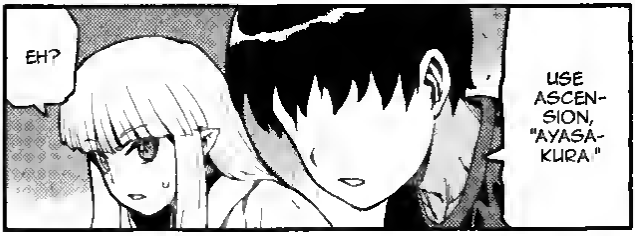
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU TO LOSE YOURSELF TO ANGER!
WHAT ON EARTH HAS GOTTEN INTO YOU?!
KAZUYA!
BUT... BECAUSE.. DAMNIT!
!
AHA HA HA HA HA!
THAT'S RIGHT. ENTERTAIN ME A LITTLE MORE.

THE CROW MAIDEN REACTED WELL TO THIS
OUTNUMBERED, SHE MAINTAINED PROPER DISTANCE AND USED PRECISE ATTACKS
THAT SAID, IT WAS STILL A STEADY RETREAT FOR HER THANKS TO OUR GREATER NUMBERS
THEN, EVERY TIME SHE SHOWED ME AN OPENING, I BROKE HER LITTLE BONES WITH HIGH PITCH IMPACTS
CHIP-PING AWAY AT HER BONE BY BONE
IN THE BEGINNING, SHE WAS EXPRESSIONLESS, BUT HER FACE GRADUALLY BEGAN TO TWIST WITH AGONY, AND SHE BEGAN TO SCREAM
OHO-HO.
BUT IT'S STILL NOT ENOUGH
SFX: REACH

SO, WHATEVER HAPPENS, I WILL FINISH OFF THAT CROW
I CAN'T BE SATISFIED WITHOUT HEARING IT
THE MELODIC DEATH CRY OF MY PREY...

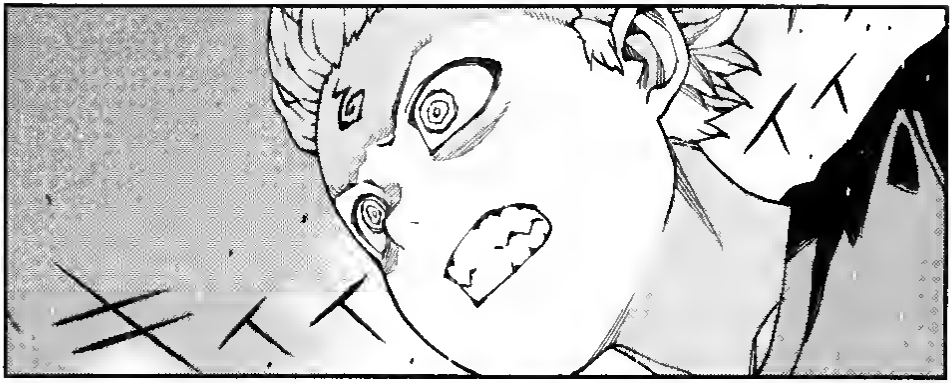
AAA-AH...
FOR ONCE IN MY LIFE, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO HEAR THE SCREAMS OF A GOD
HAHA
THEN, I WILL SPEND TWICE AS MUCH TIME BREAKING THE LITTLE BONES OF THE GOD OF THE LAND

DE-LIGHT-FUL.

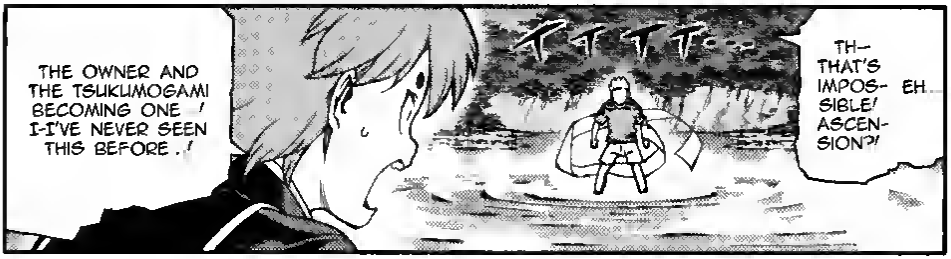

EH?
USE ASCEN-SION, "AYASA-KURA"

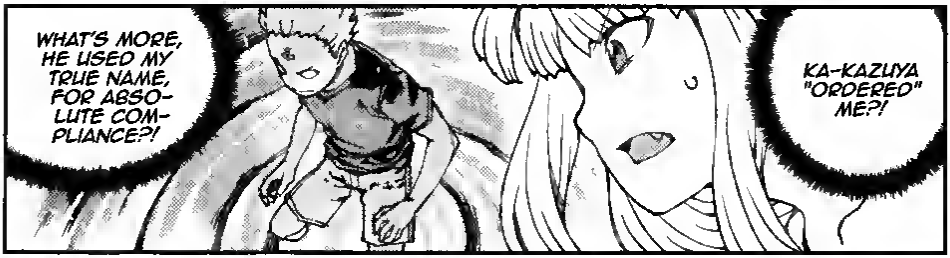
YOU BITCH

SFX WRAP
!
SFX POOF
ASCEN-
SION!



SFX HUMMMMMMMM





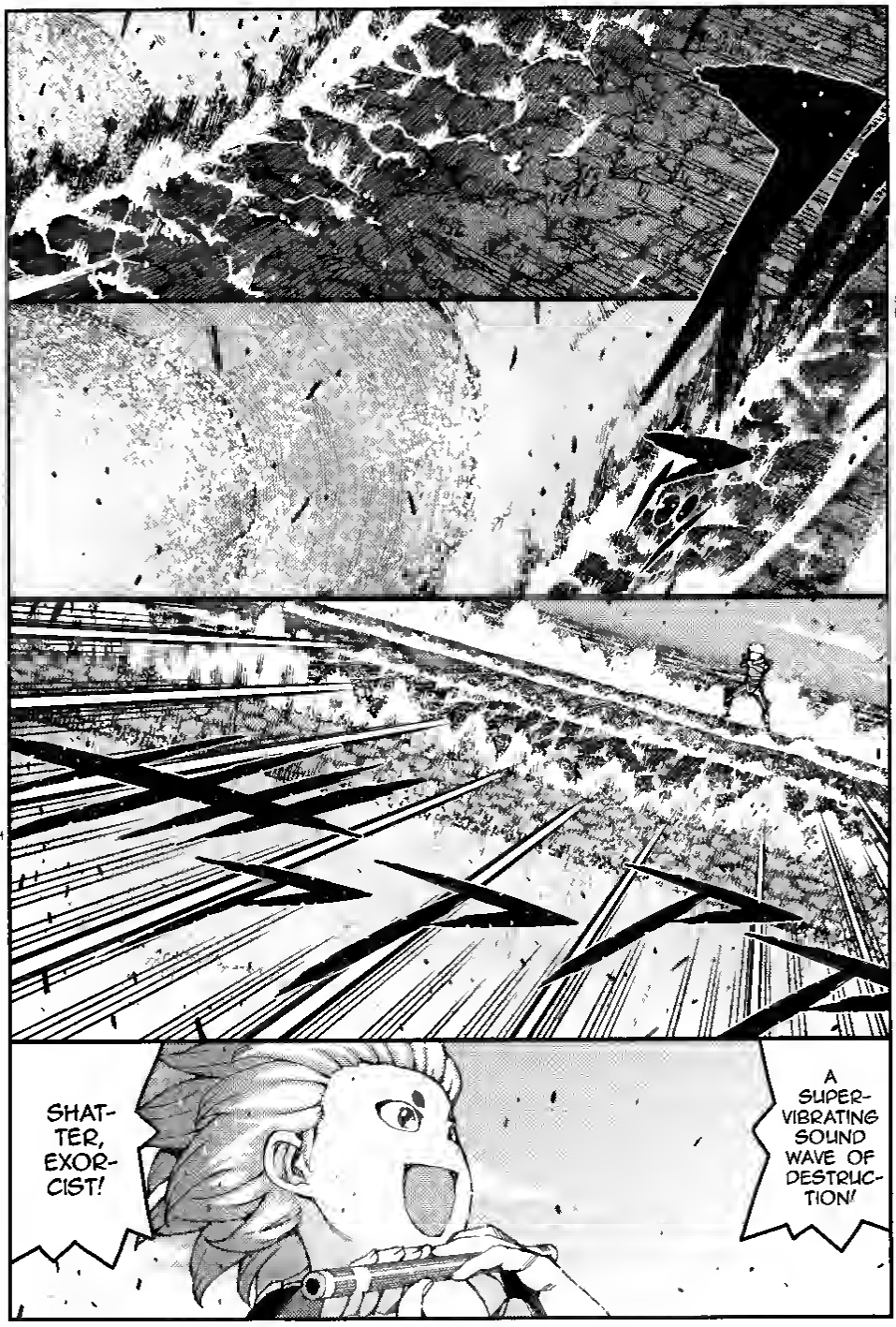
SFX BURST

SFX SWOOSH
LEG EN-HANCE
HIGH PITCH IMPACT, QUAR-TET!
PIING
SLAM
QUAKE LEG!
KER-SPLASH
I SEE IT!
!
SFX WHOOSH
SFX POW, POW, POW, POW

SFX FWOOSH
SFX WHOOSH
OBI DRUM!
TUBE TONE HAM-MER!
SFX BADUM!
EEK!
NEGATING IT WITH THE SAME LOW NOTE...
SFX CHARGE

CRASH
NOISE WALL!
SFX PIIING
JAVE-LIN WEAVE, THREE CLAWS!
SFX TIGHTEN
I COULDN'T BLOCK IT!
IN THAT CASE...
WHOOSH
SFX SLAM SLAM SLAM
AZURE VIBRA-TION FLUTE, ESOTERICA.

EIGHT EXTREME HIGH PITCH IMPACTS!
SFX: KABOOM


SFX
FWISH
SFX
WOOSH
SHAT-
TER,
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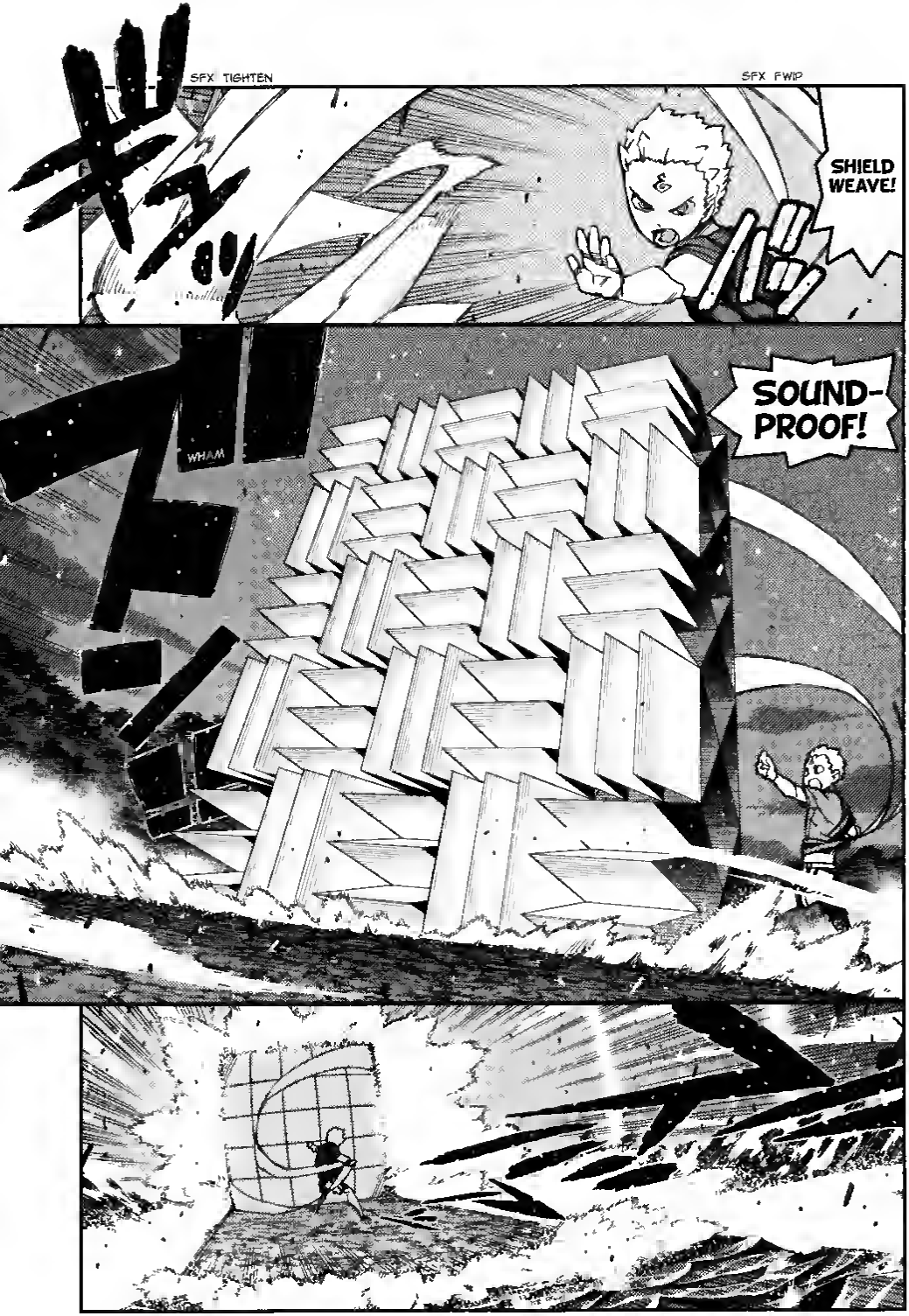
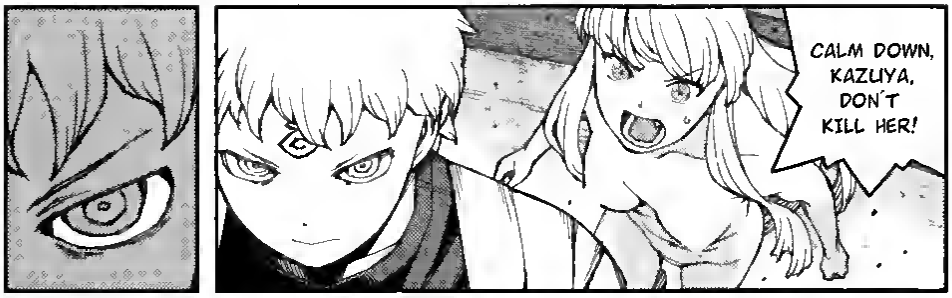
CIST!
A
SUPER-
VIBRATING
SOUND
WAVE OF
DESTRUC-
TION!


SFX TIGHTEN
SFX FWIP
SHIELD WEAVE!
WHAM
SOUND-PROOF!
SFX SMASH

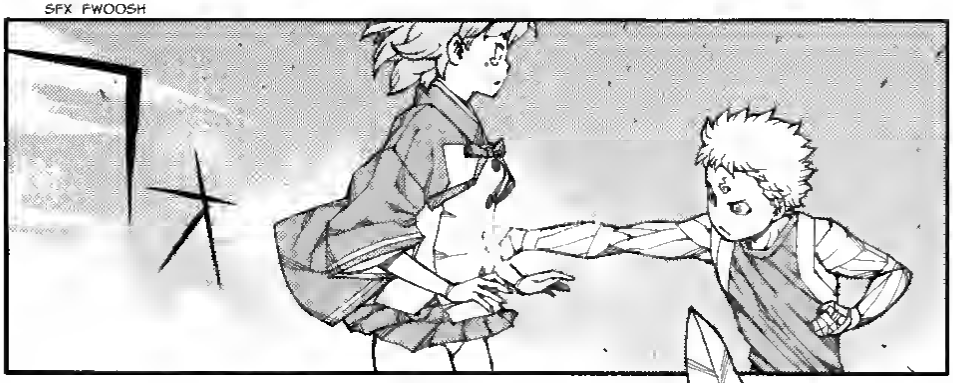
SFX SWOOSH
RIP
IMPOSSIBLE . A NOISE THAT HIGH PITCHED NOT MAKING IT THROUGH...
SFX WHOOSH

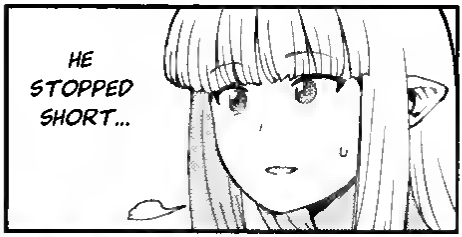
SFX SKID
SFX PIIING
SFX FLICK
SFX POW
SFX CLENCH
W-W-W-WAIT, WAIT!
EEK!

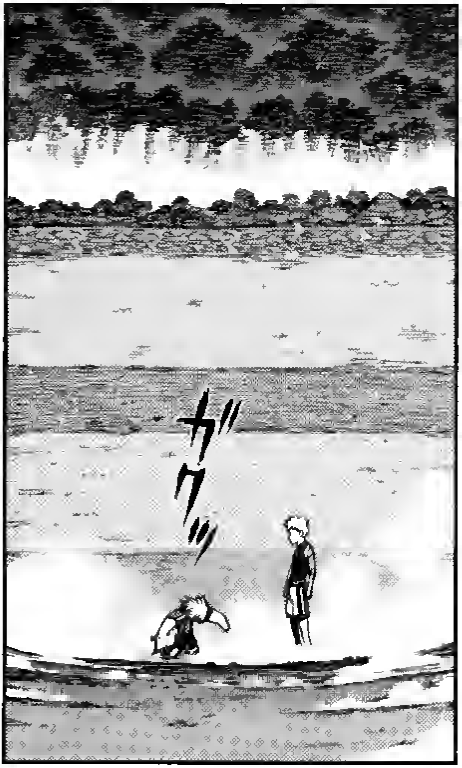

CALM DOWN, KAZUYA, DON'T KILL HER!

COILING SNAKE!

SFX: SLAM


SFX FWOOSH


HE STOPPED SHORT...


SFX SLUMP

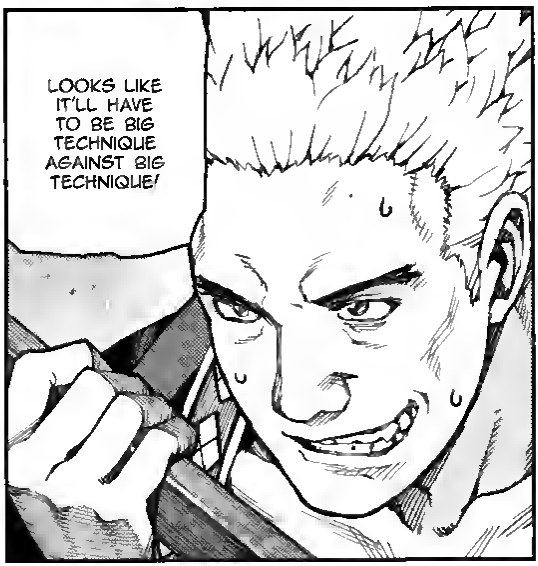
SFX DRIBBLE
AWA-WA-WAH...
AH

TRIPLE CORE CUT!
WH...

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?!
SHOCK
IN OTHER WORDS, WE WERE ALSO ABLE TO PREPARE FOR THIS MATCH-UP
THERE WAS TIME BETWEEN US HEARING OF YOUR ARRIVAL AND THE START OF THE FIGHT
CHOP-STICKS?!
CH...
SFX SPARK
SFX SPARK, SPARK

THEY'RE MADE FROM SCHMIDT'S BIRCH.
MIMANE BORROWED THOSE CHOP-STICKS FROM A LOCAL SHOP.

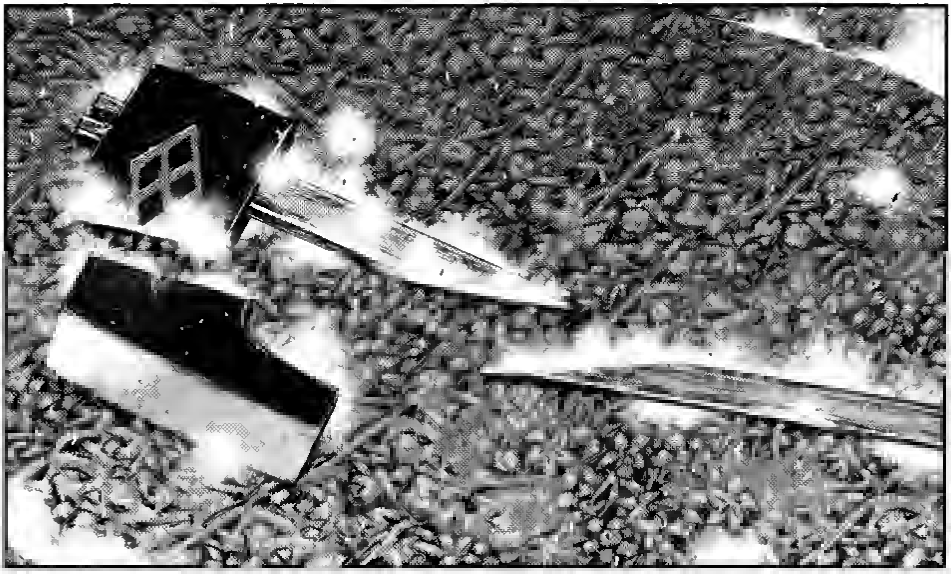
ALSO KNOWN AS THE "AXE-BREAKING BIRCH"!

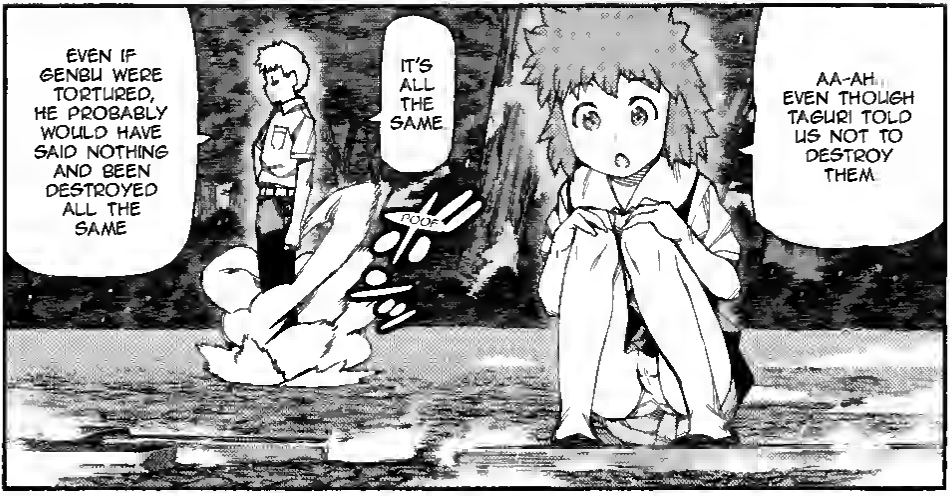

LOOKS LIKE IT'LL HAVE TO BE BIG TECHNIQUE AGAINST BIG TECHNIQUE!

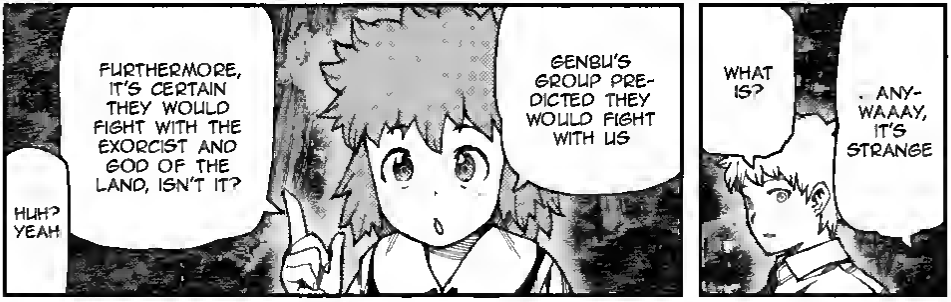
WELL THEN...
...HO HO.. USING A CHEAP TRICK AGAINST MY CHEAP TRICK, HUH...
SFX YANK

SFX POOF
AXE-FORM!
GOD AXE DECAPI-TATION!
GREAT CHELIC-ERAE.

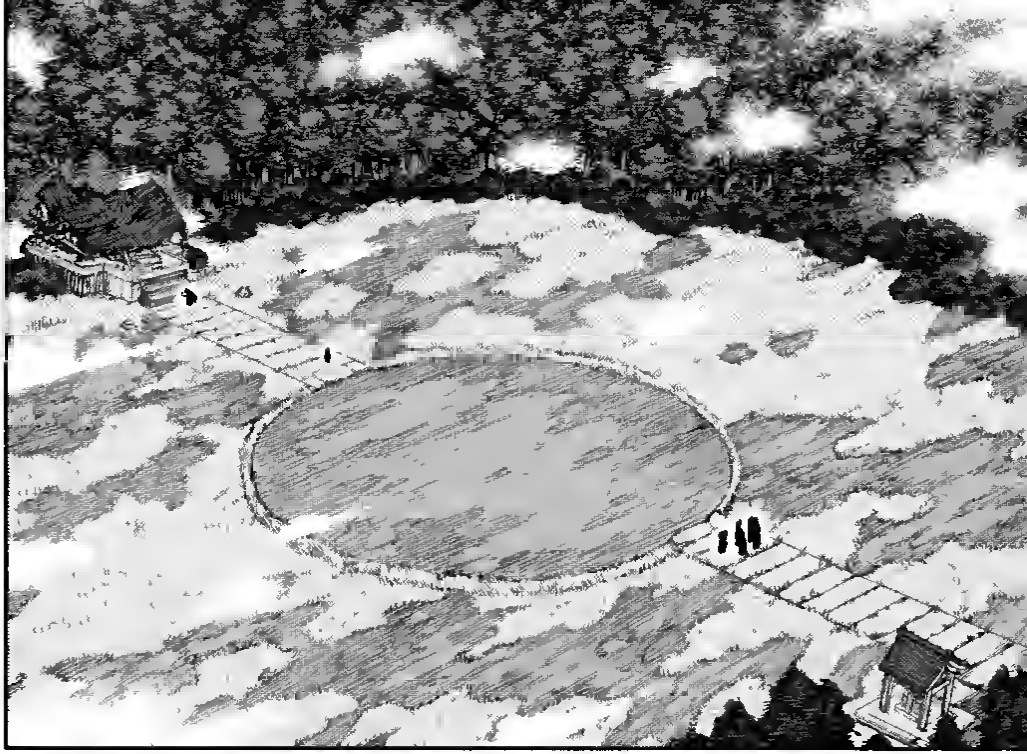
SFX FIZZ




AA-AH... EVEN THOUGH TAGURI TOLD US NOT TO DESTROY THEM
IT'S ALL THE SAME
POOF
EVEN IF GENBU WERE TORTURED, HE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE SAID NOTHING AND BEEN DESTROYED ALL THE SAME


. ANY-WAAAY, IT'S STRANGE
WHAT IS?
GENBU'S GROUP PREDICTED THEY WOULD FIGHT WITH US
FURTHERMORE, IT'S CERTAIN THEY WOULD FIGHT WITH THE EXORCIST AND GOD OF THE LAND, ISN'T IT?
HUH? YEAH

EVEN IF GENBU'S GROUP IS EXHAUSTED, THEY STILL HAVE COMPANIONS TO BRING THE FRAGMENT BACK!
..YOU'RE RIGHT!
OF COURSE, WE CAN RETURN TO REFILL OUR POWER RIGHT AWAY, THANKS TO AZAMI'S CURSE TRANSFER.
SO, SUPPOSING THEY WON, THEY PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE ENOUGH MYSTERIOUS POWER LEFT TO RETURN TO MAYOIGA, RIGHT?
ズズ…
SFX OMINOUS
AYE, AYE.
WE'RE RETURNING TO THE GOD OF THE LAND RIGHT AWAY, MIMANE!
ﾄﾞﾝ
..THOSE GUYS ARE ALREADY..!
IF THEY KNOW THE FOUR IN THE ADVANCE GUARD ARE FIGHTING EVERYONE BUT THE GOD OF THE LAND...



SFX FWOOOO

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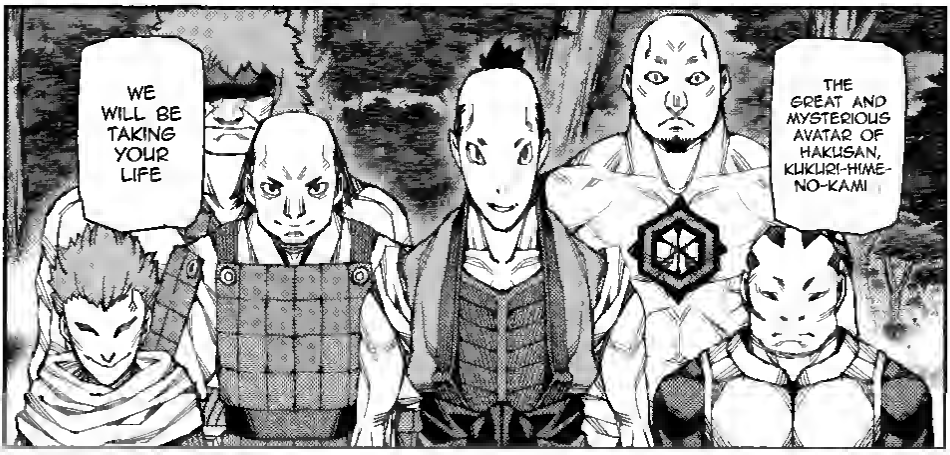
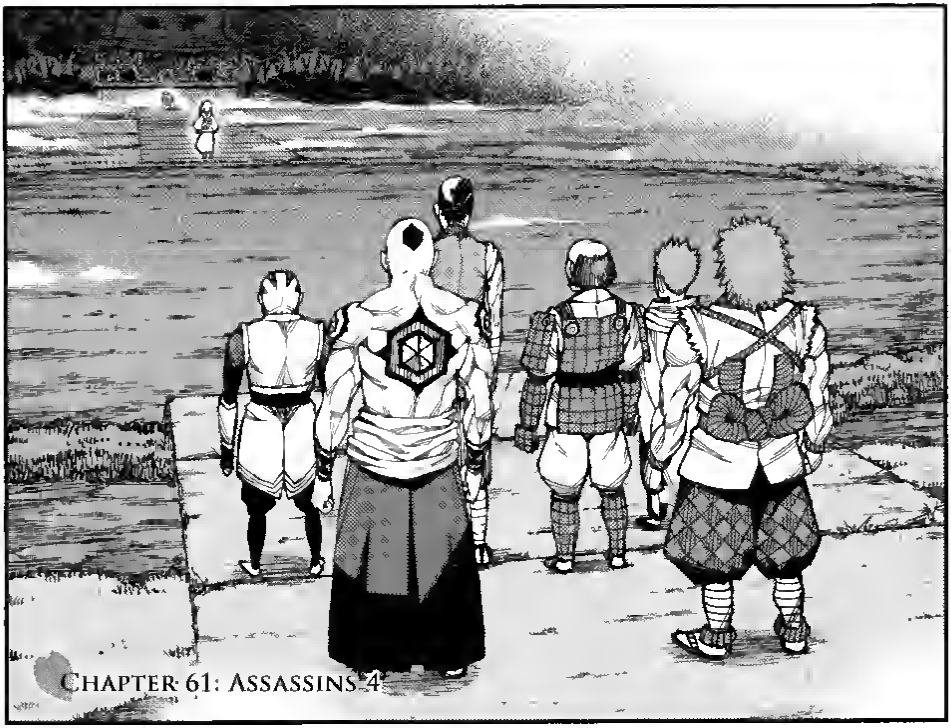

WE WILL BE TAKING YOUR LIFE
THE GREAT AND MYSTERIOUS AVATAR OF HAKUSAN, KUKURI-HIME-NO-KAMI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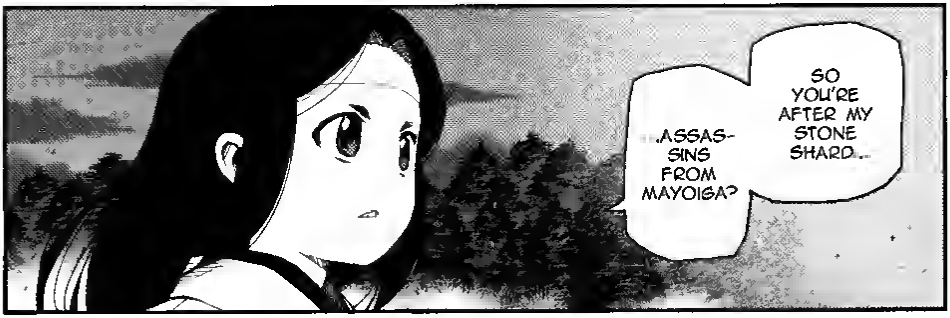
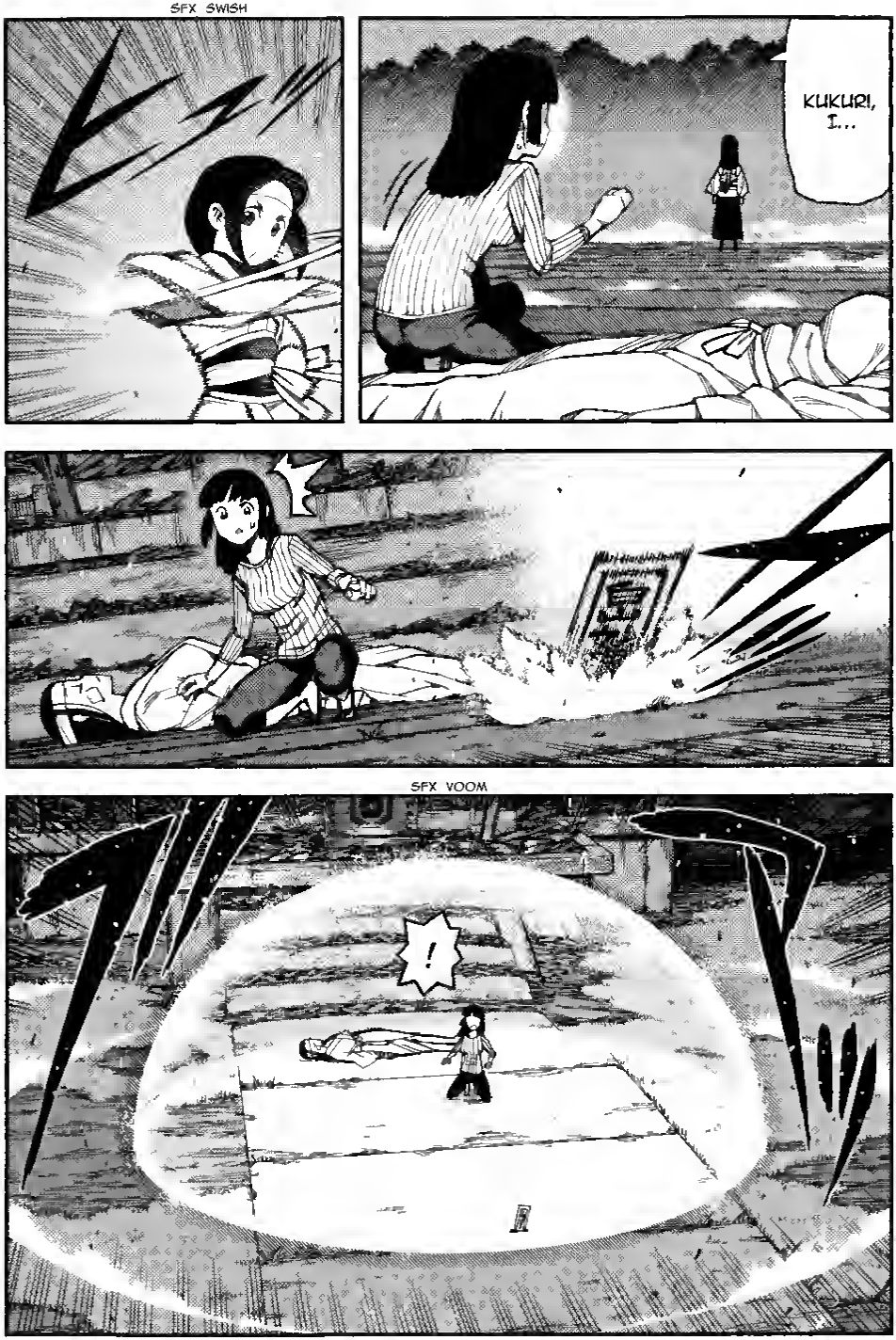
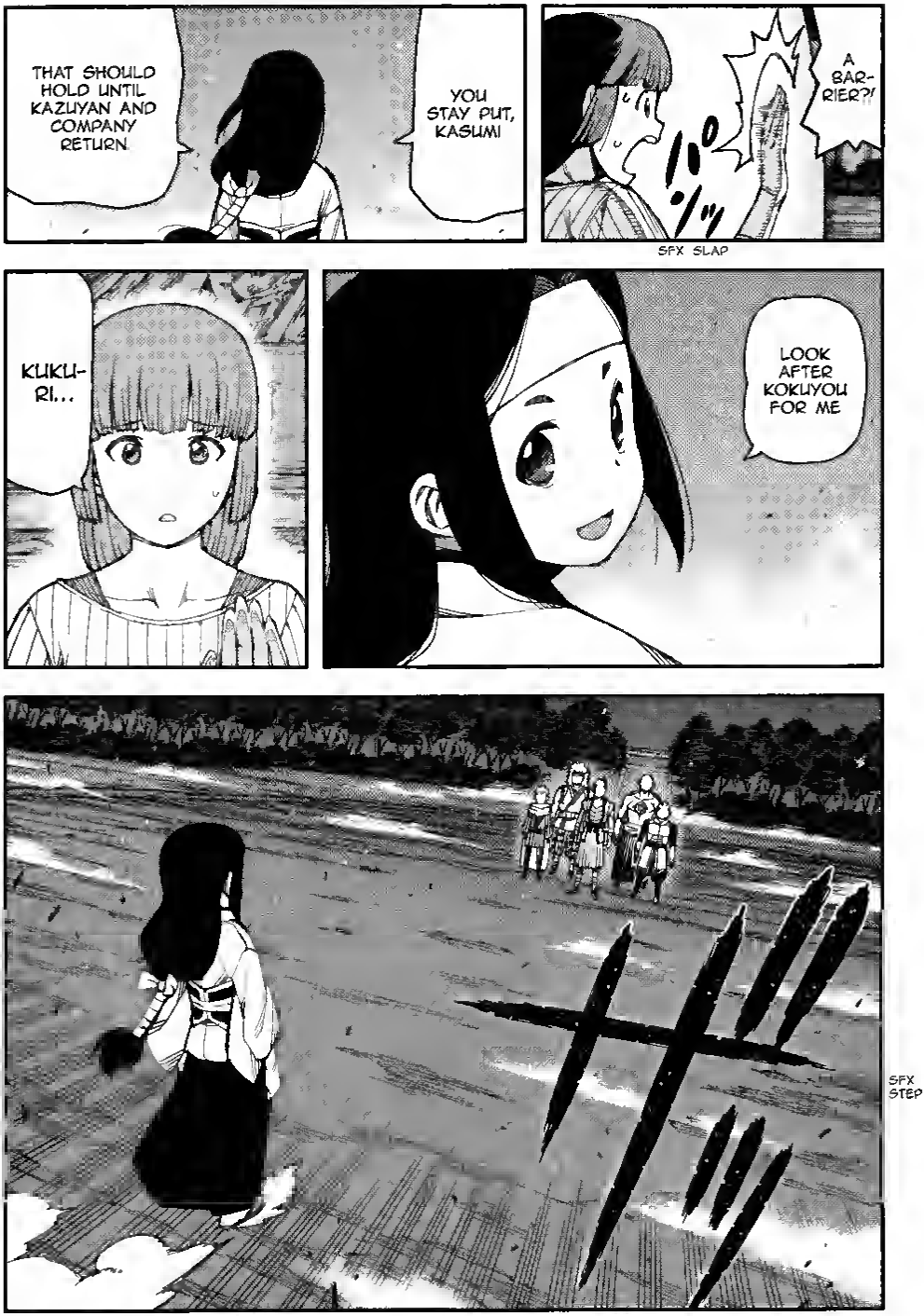

SO YOU'RE AFTER MY STONE SHARD...
...ASSAS-SINS FROM MAYOIGA?

THAT'S RIGHT.
IF YOU DON'T RESIST, WE WON'T MAKE YOU SUFFER.


SFX SWISH
KUKURI, I...
SFX TAP
SFX VOOM
!


THAT SHOULD HOLD UNTIL KAZUYAN AND COMPANY RETURN.
YOU STAY PUT, KASUMI
A BAR-RIER?!
SFX SLAP
KUKU-RI...
LOOK AFTER KOKUYOU FOR ME
SFX STEP

SHE'S SERI-OUS?
. . . !
THANKS TO THE WEAKENING OF YOUR BODY, YOU CAN BARELY CALL FORTH YOUR SPECIAL WATER ATTACKS
WE KNOW ABOUT IT
SIX FOOT STAFF!
GO AHEAD, PUT UP YOUR USELESS RESIS-TANCE
SFX POOF

SFX: BAM

HEAVENLY DESTRUCTION!

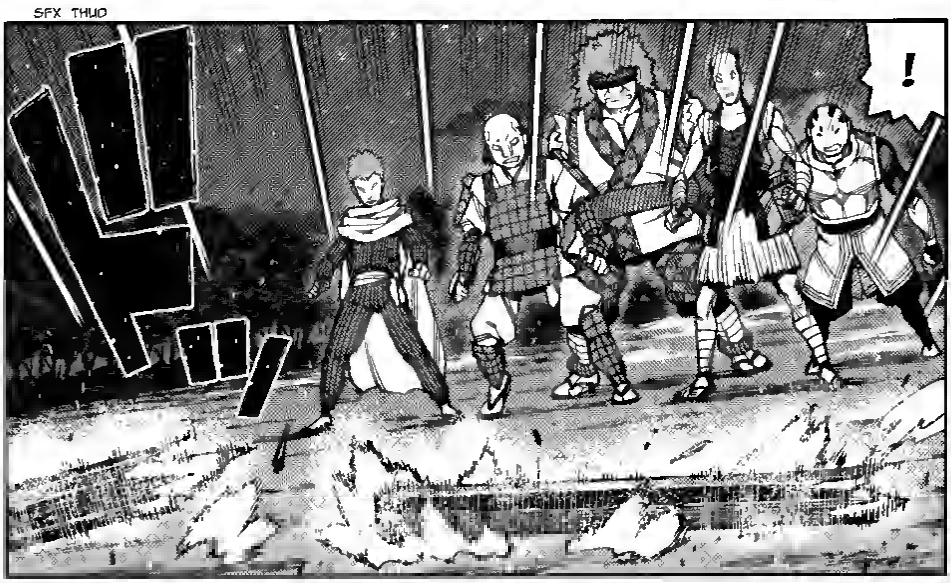
SFX: WHOOSH

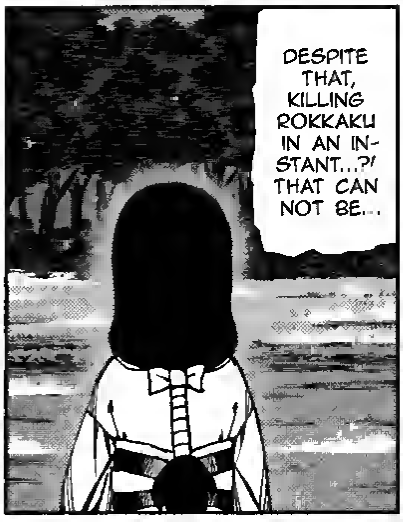
FIVE ELEMENT SMASH!

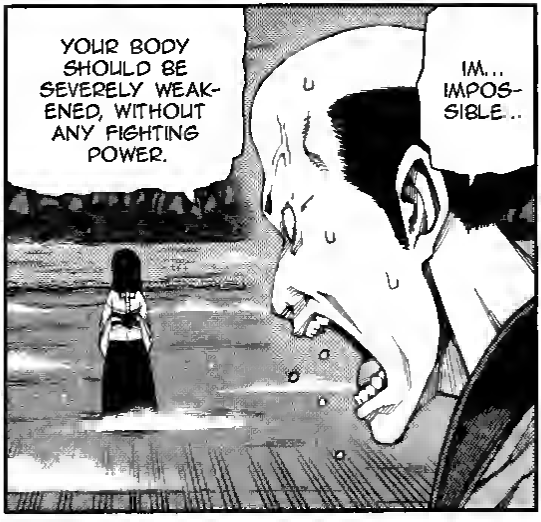
SFX: TAP TAP TAP TAP
SFX: JUMP
!
AKITO, YOU MADE IT OUT OKAY!
THANK GOOD-NESS!
..YEAH YOU TOO
OOOOOH! COOOOL! SUPER KAZUYA!

EHHH?!
RIGHT NOW, THERE'S A HIGH CHANCE THE REST OF THEM ARE ATTACKING KUKURI-HIME
WE CAN TALK LATER!
THE TRUTH IS, BOTH TASURI'S OPPONENTS AND MINE WERE...
LET'S HURRY!
KUKURI'S GROUP FLED TO THE RUINS OF THE HAKUSAN SHRINE!
YEAH.
!!!

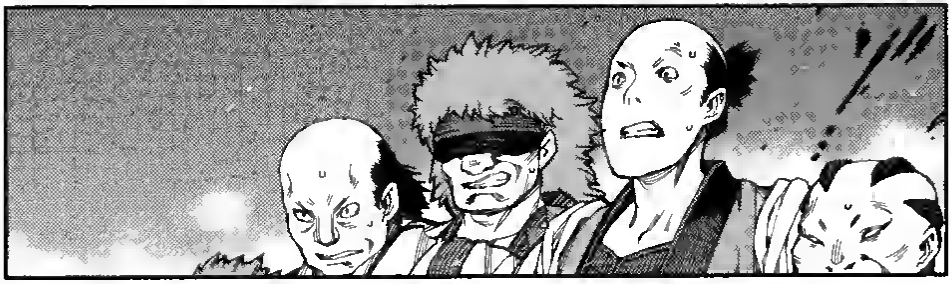
SFX: FIZZZ
WH..

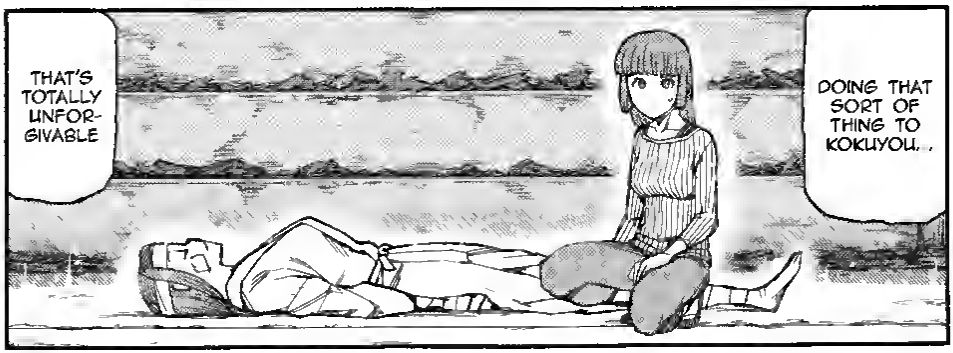

SFX: THUD
!


DESPITE THAT, KILLING ROKKAKU IN AN INSTANT...?! THAT CAN NOT BE...


YOUR BODY SHOULD BE SEVERELY WEAKENED, WITHOUT ANY FIGHTING POWER.
IM... IMPOSSIBLE..

SFX SHUDDER

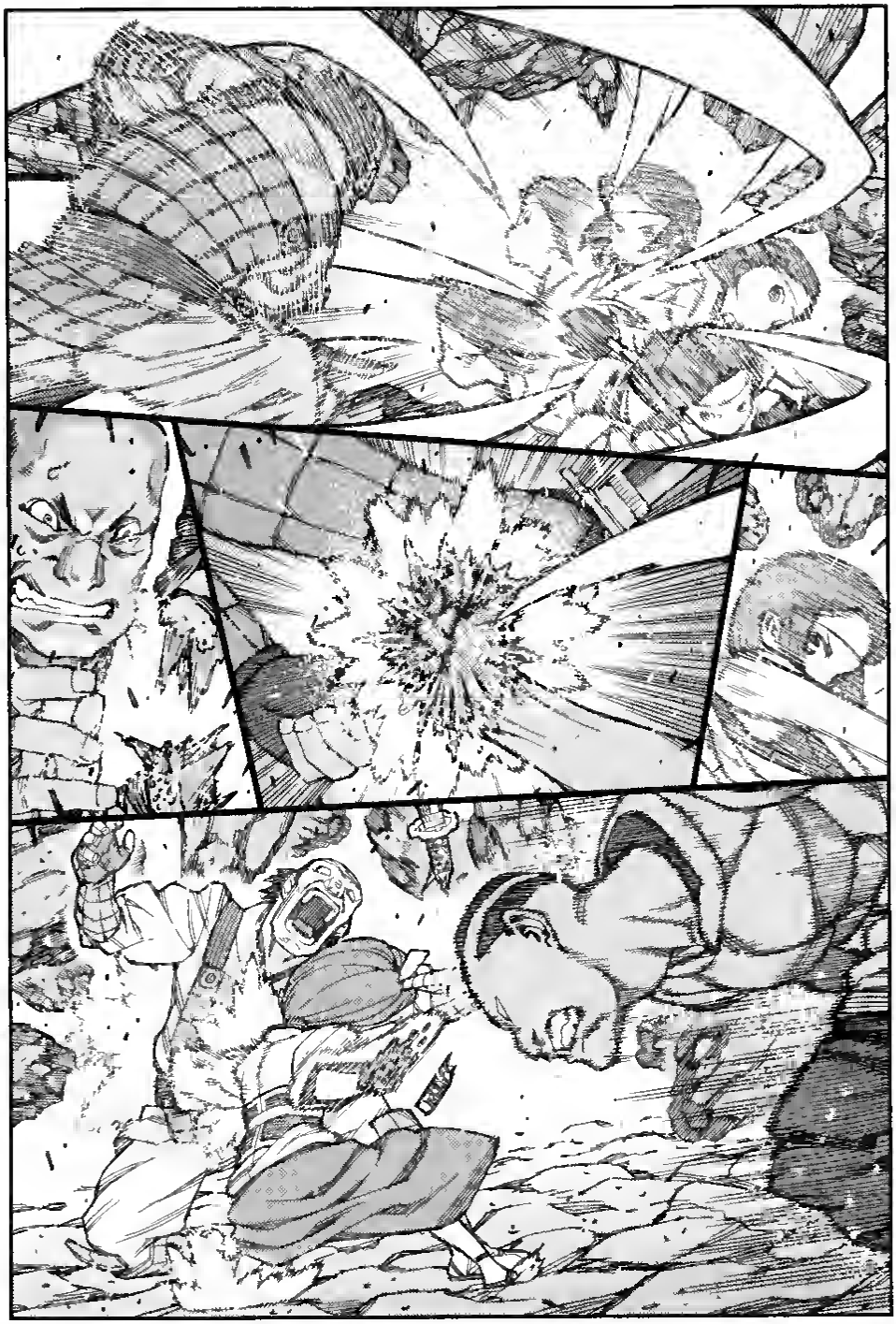


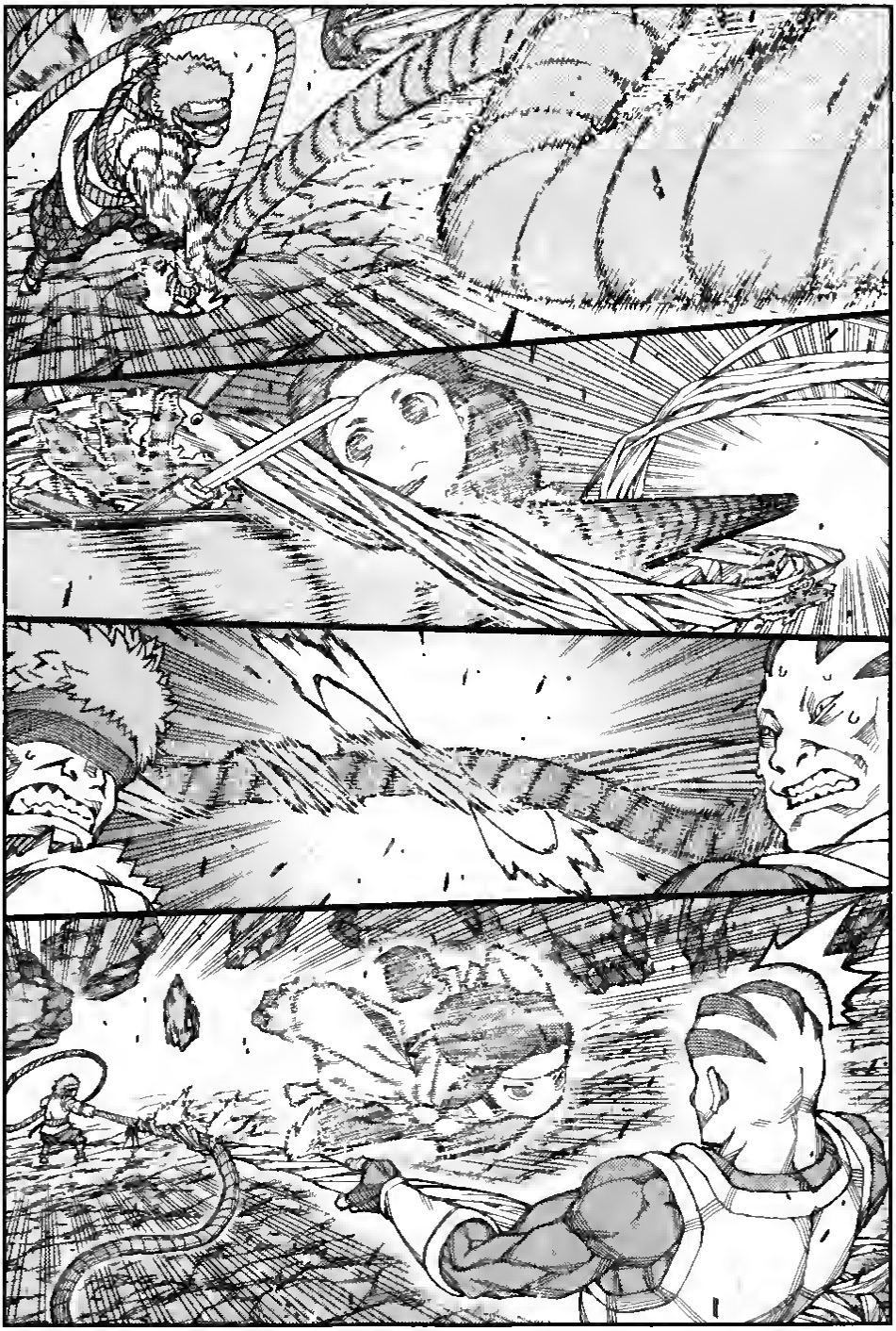

THAT'S TOTALLY UNFOR-GIVABLE
DOING THAT SORT OF THING TO KOKUYOU...

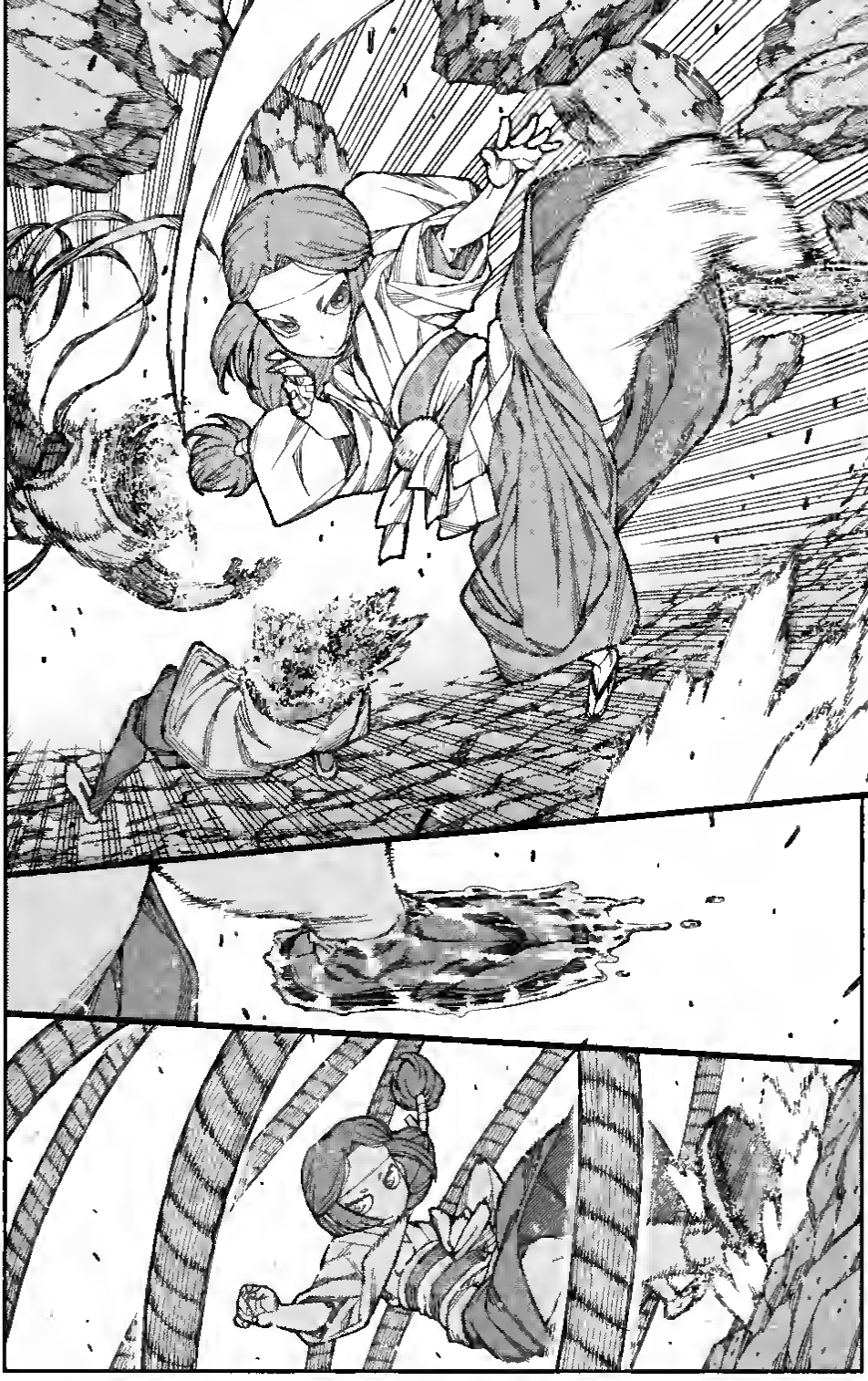
SFX SLIP

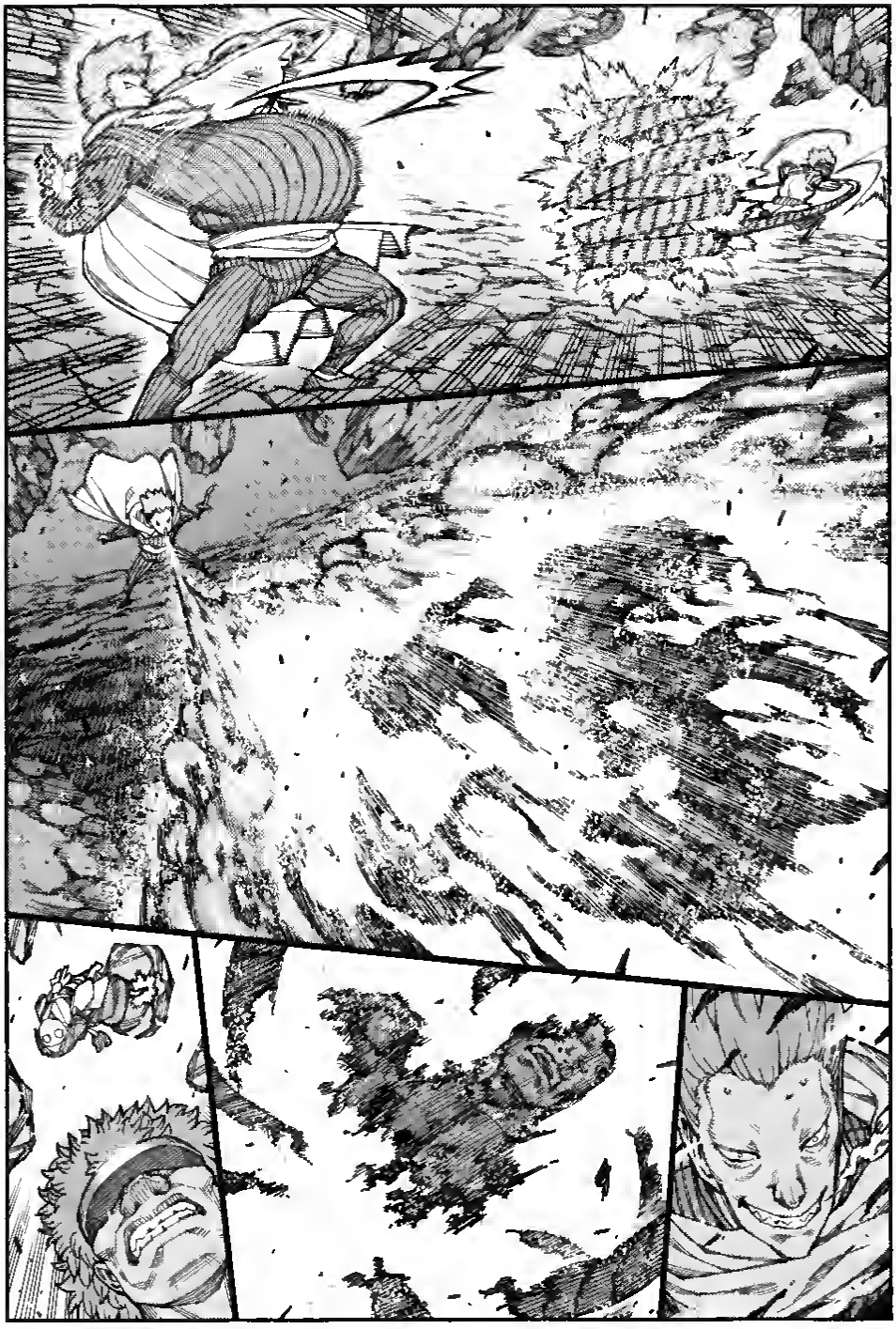
SFX
CLENCH

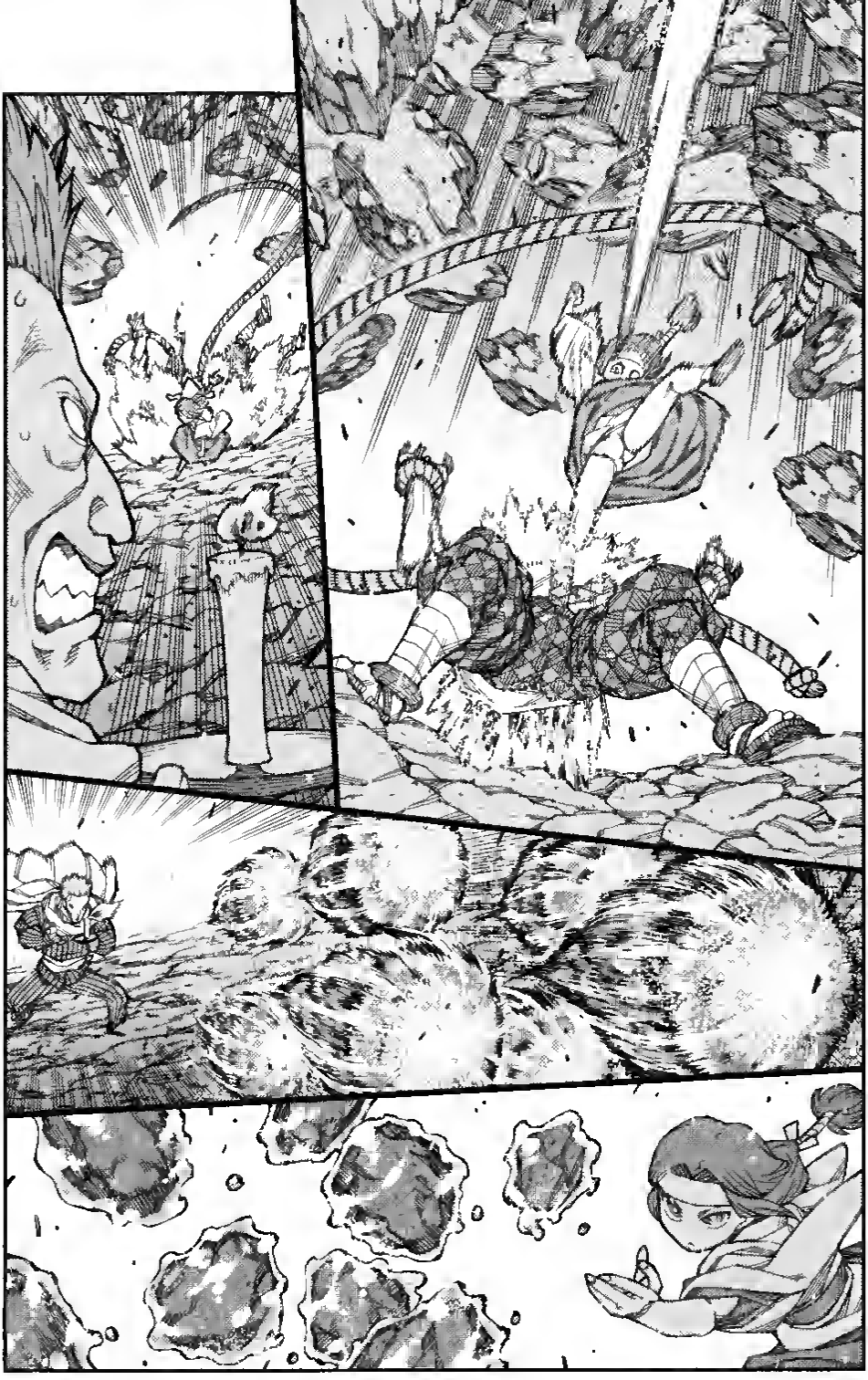
UGH..!
OKAY!
IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE, SHE'S STILL WEAKENED! LET'S GO!
SFX STAND
SFX BANG
A BARRIER?!
NO GOOD, I CAN'T REACH HER!
KU-KU-RI!

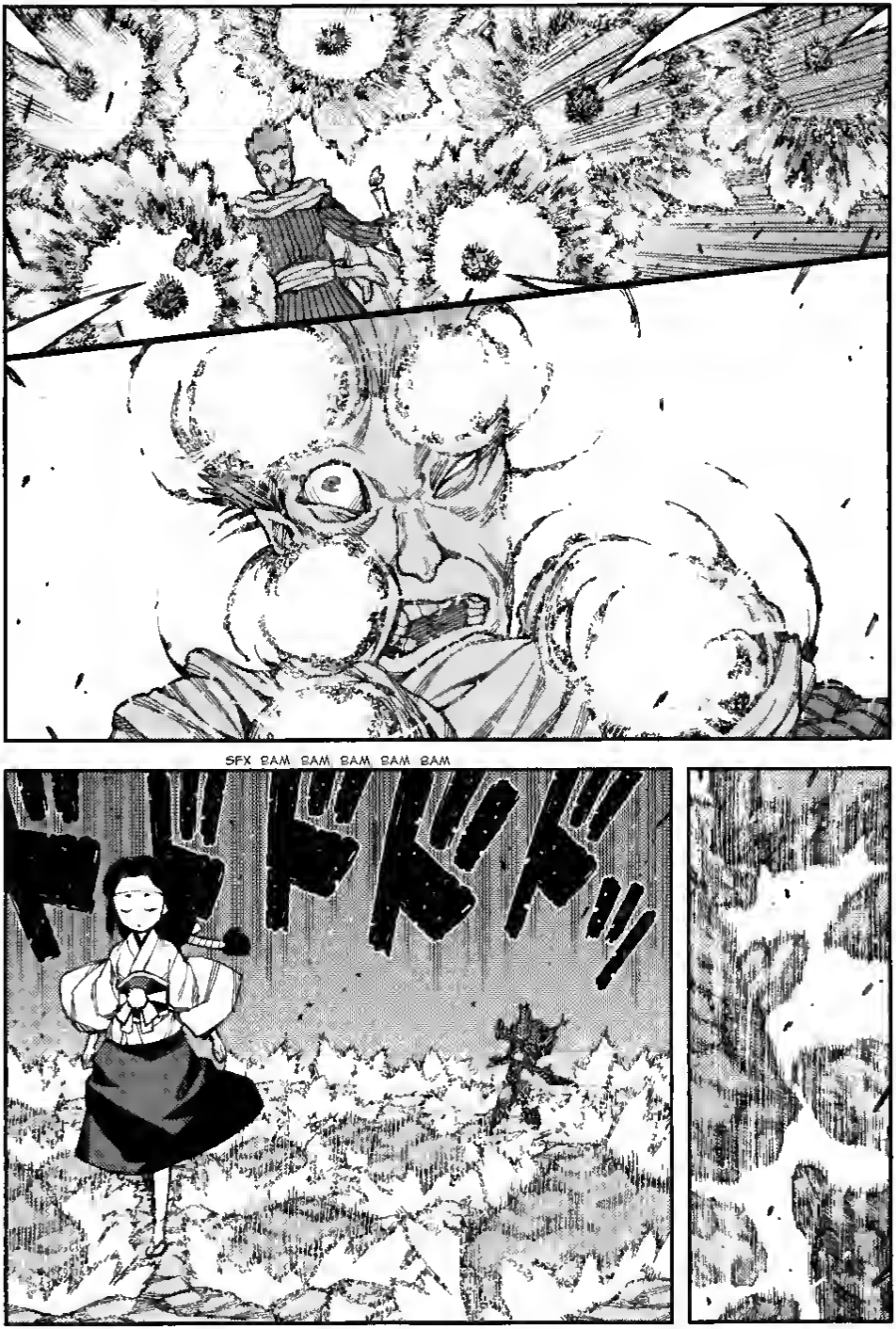


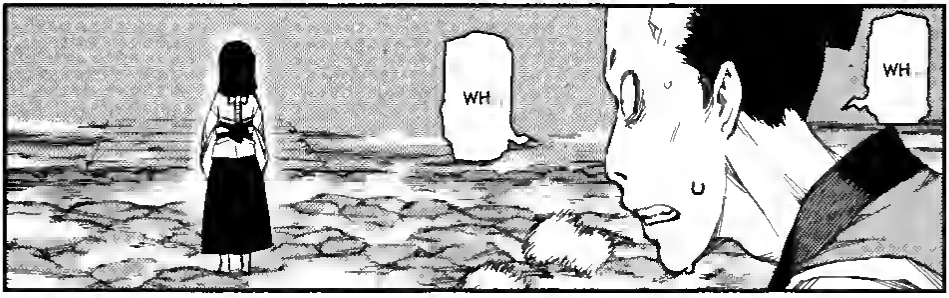









SFX BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM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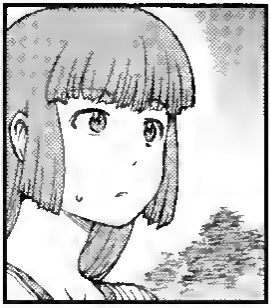
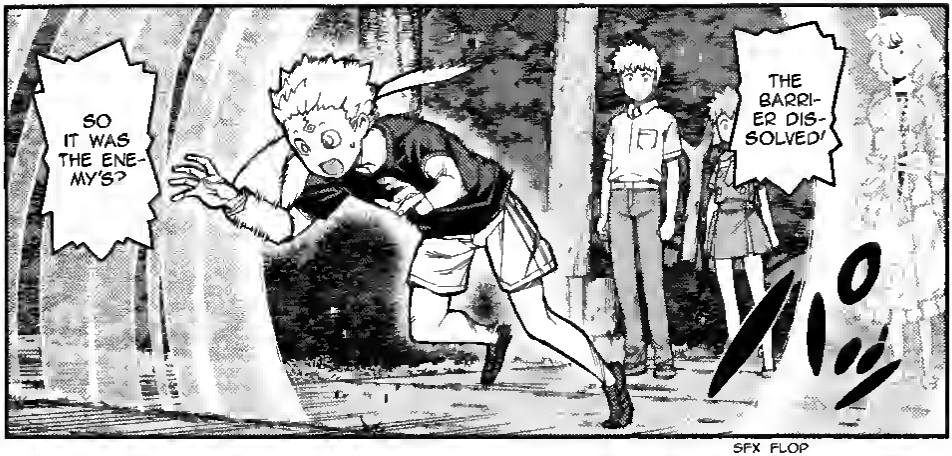
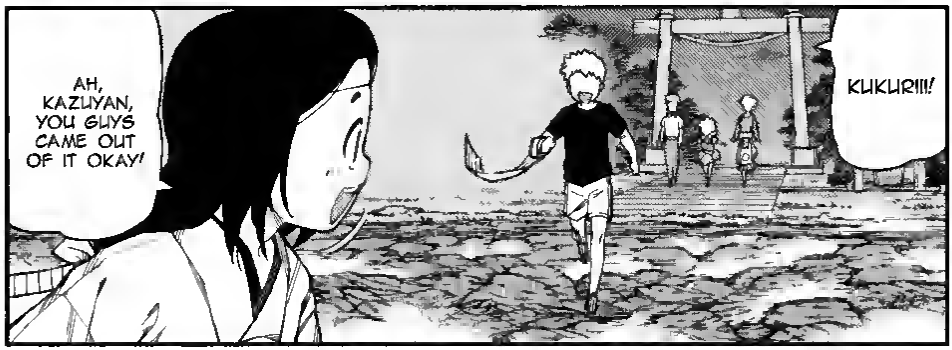


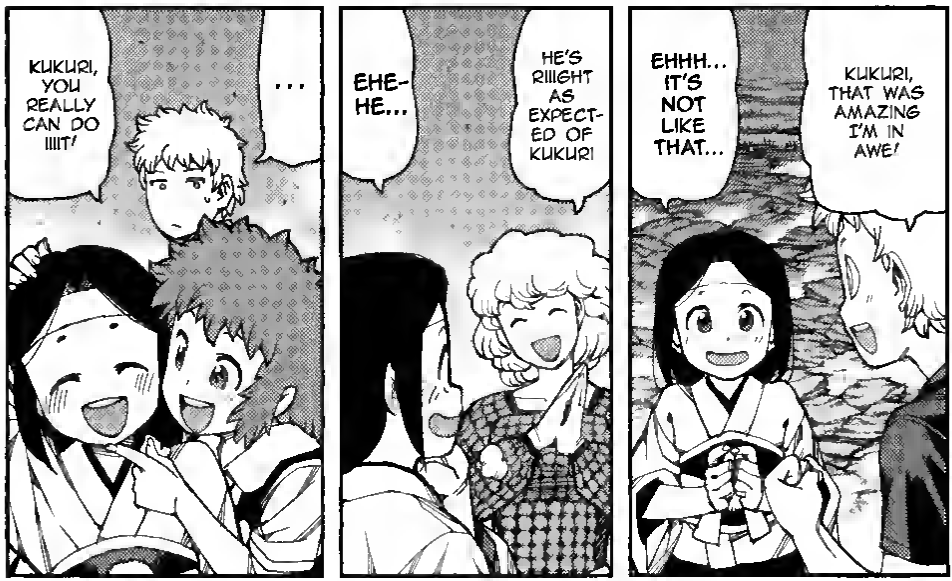
EVEN WEAKENED, SHE CAN DO THIS..!
SO...
THAT DAMN KUKU-RI...
NOW.
...GH
IT'S GONE DOWN TO JUST YOU
WHAT WILL YOU DO?

GOURA!
...Y-
YOU THINK I'M GOING BACK EMPTY-HANDED AFTER COMING THIS FAR?
ROD OF BIZARRE TRUTH!
RESPOND TO MY ROD, WAILING MONSTER OF THE SEA!
SFX: WHIRL

WATER NEEDLE TECH-NIQUE!

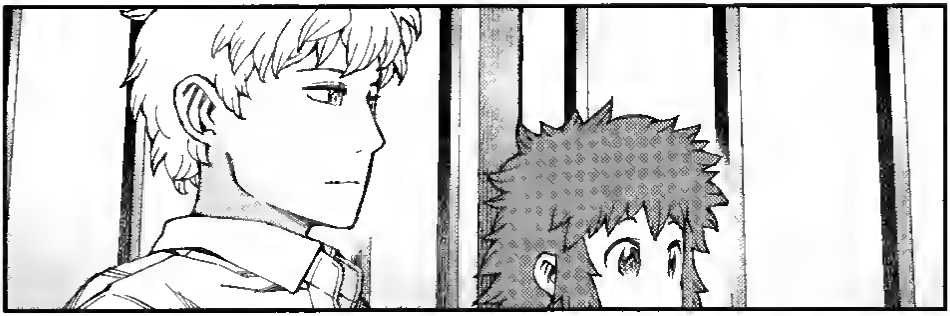

SO IT WAS THE ENEMY'S?
THE BARRIER DISSOLVED!
SFX FLOP

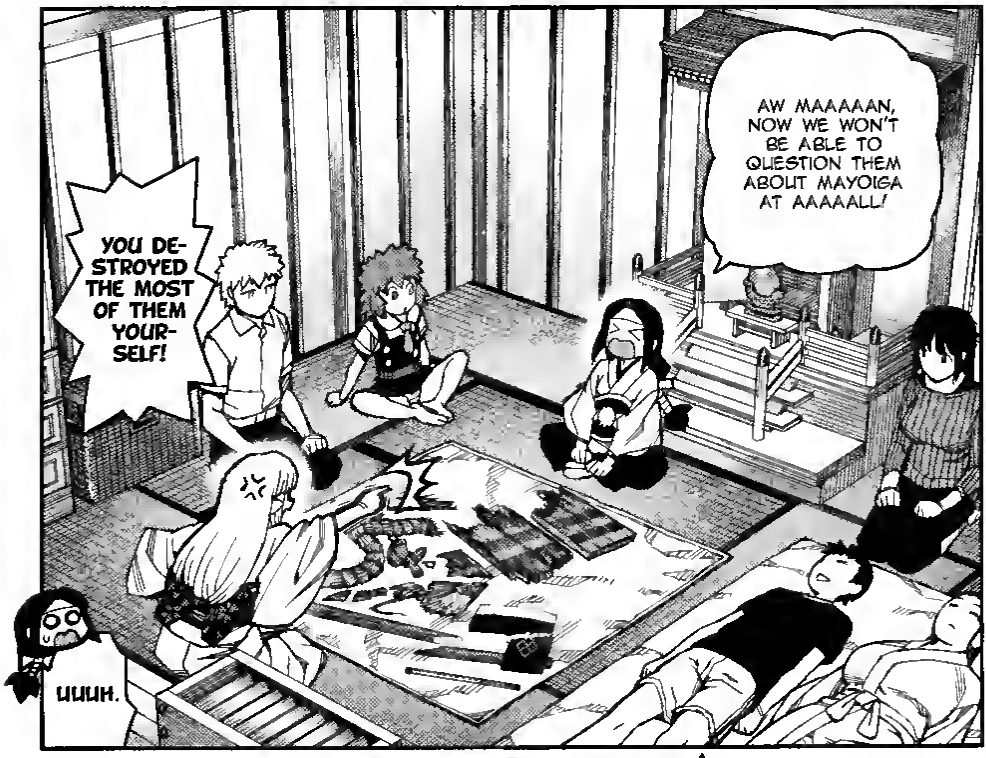

AH, KAZUYAN, YOU GUYS CAME OUT OF IT OKAY!
KUKURI!!!!


KUKURI, YOU REALLY CAN DO IIIIT!
...
EHE-HE...
HE'S RIIIGHT AS EXPECTED OF KUKURI
EHHH... IT'S NOT LIKE THAT...
KUKURI, THAT WAS AMAZING I'M IN AWE!

AH, KIRIHA I'M GLAD YOU'RE SAFE TOO SO, PRAISE ME, PRAISE ME.
...
SFX POOF
SLID
SFX WRENCH
GYAAA!
WHY DID YOU WIPE THEM OUT COMPLETELY, YOU FOOOOOL!
Y-YEAH... WE'LL EXPLAIN IN DETAIL WHEN WE GET HOME...
EHHHH... WHY, WHY?! DIDN'T SOMEONE SPARE AT LEAST ONE OF THEM?!

THEY...
THEY'RE ALL DE-STROYED!

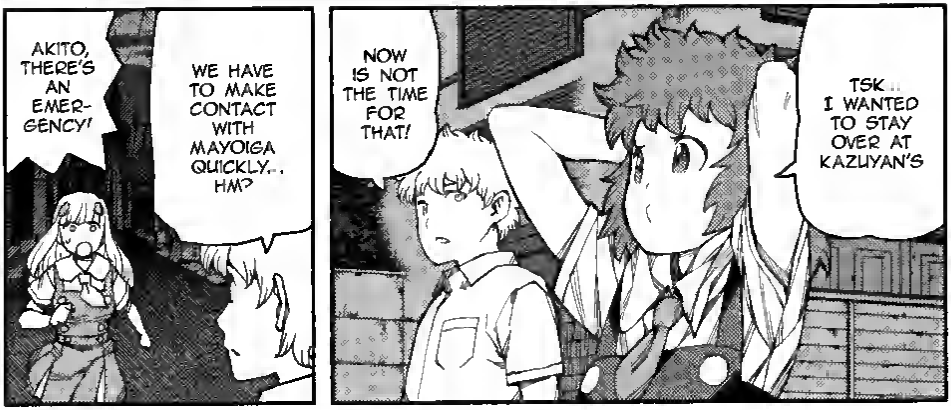


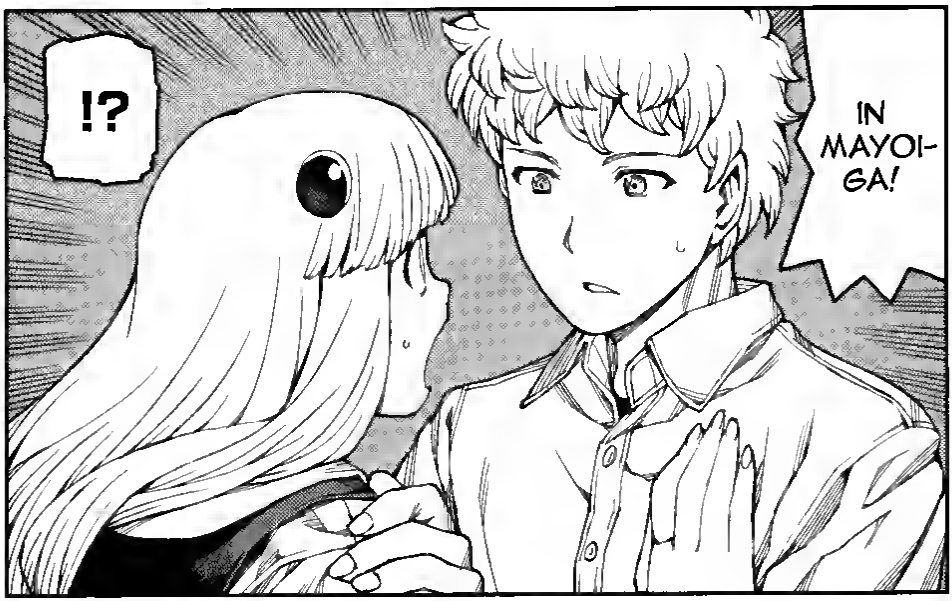


COLLAPSED FROM THE AFTER EFFECTS OF ASCENSION↑

UUUU...
WHY DON'T YOU TELL US EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT YOUR COMRADES AND MAYOIGA!
WELL
YOU ARE STILL GOING TO RESIST?!
!?
AAAAAH!
SFX POOF
...EH?

I GET IT THEY EXHAUSTED THEIR MYSTERIOUS POWER..
SOMETHING LIKE THAT HAPPENED
OHH
I DON'T EXPECT MUCH, BUT THERE'S A CHANCE IT MIGHT REVIVE
EH?
FOR THE TIME BEING, YOU BE ITS TEMPORARY OWNER, KAZUYAN.
FOR NOW, IT LOOKS LIKE WE DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT MAYOIGA'S INFORMATION LEAKING ANY MORE...
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP EVERYONE
IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THERE WILL BE ANY MORE ATTACKS RIGHT NOW


AKITO, THERE'S AN EMER-GENCY!
WE HAVE TO MAKE CONTACT WITH MAYOIGA QUICKLY... HM?
NOW IS NOT THE TIME FOR THAT!
TSK... I WANTED TO STAY OVER AT KAZUYAN'S


!?
IN MAYOI-GA!

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SFX: BLOW
SFX: VOOM
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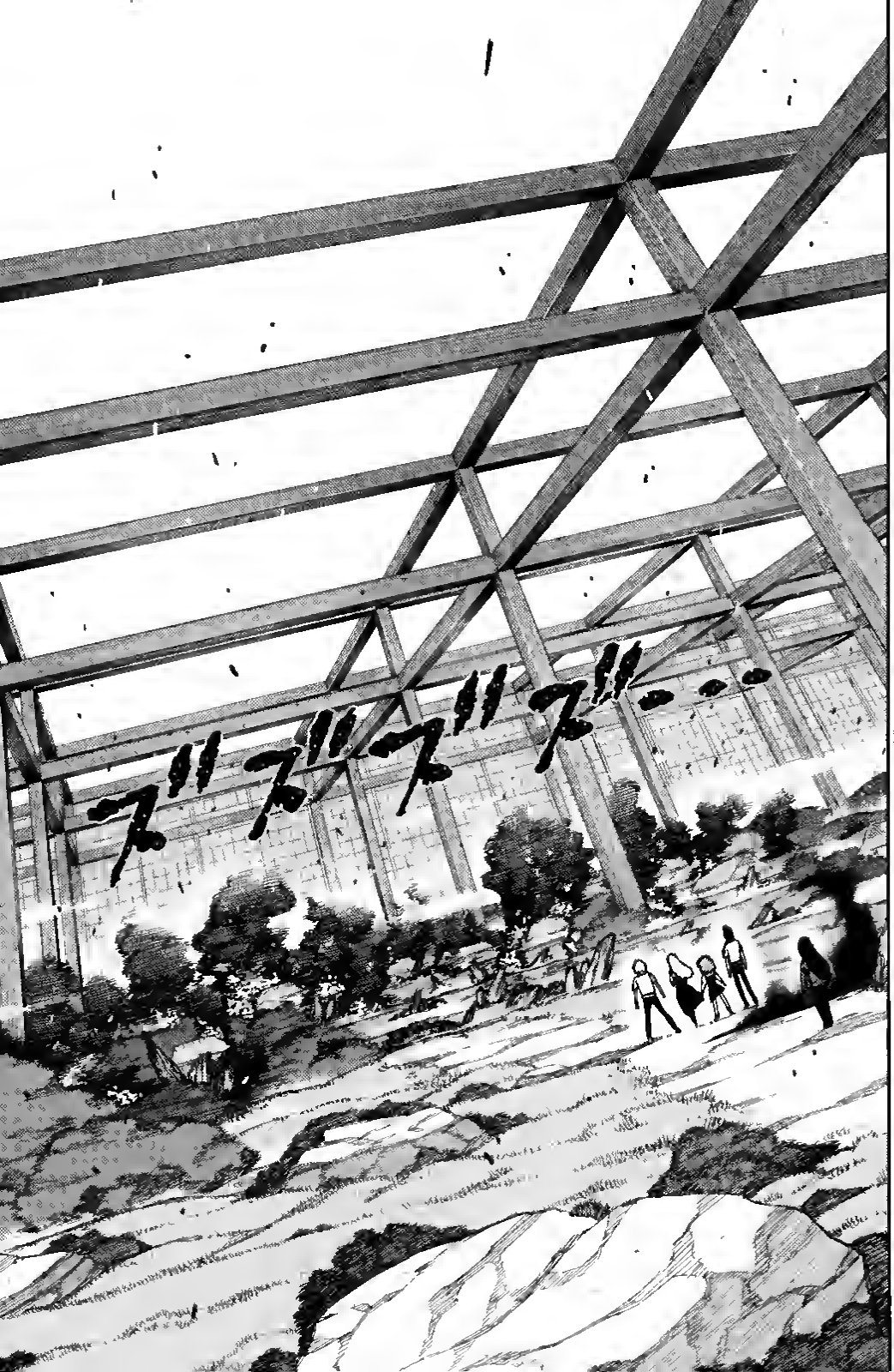
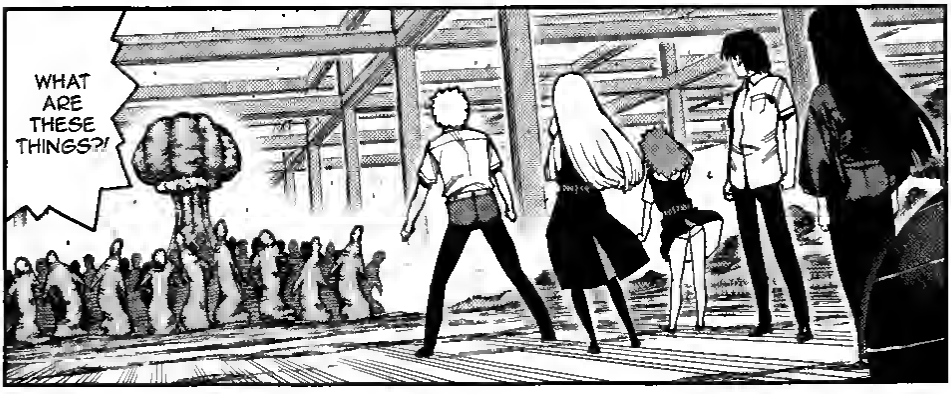


SFX
RUMBLE

IT'S COM-ING.
WHAT IS GOING ON HERE, AZAMI?! WHAT HAP-PENED?!
SFX LOOM
ズ…
WHAT?
COM-ING?
SFX THUD THUD THUD
SFX THUD THUD THUD
!

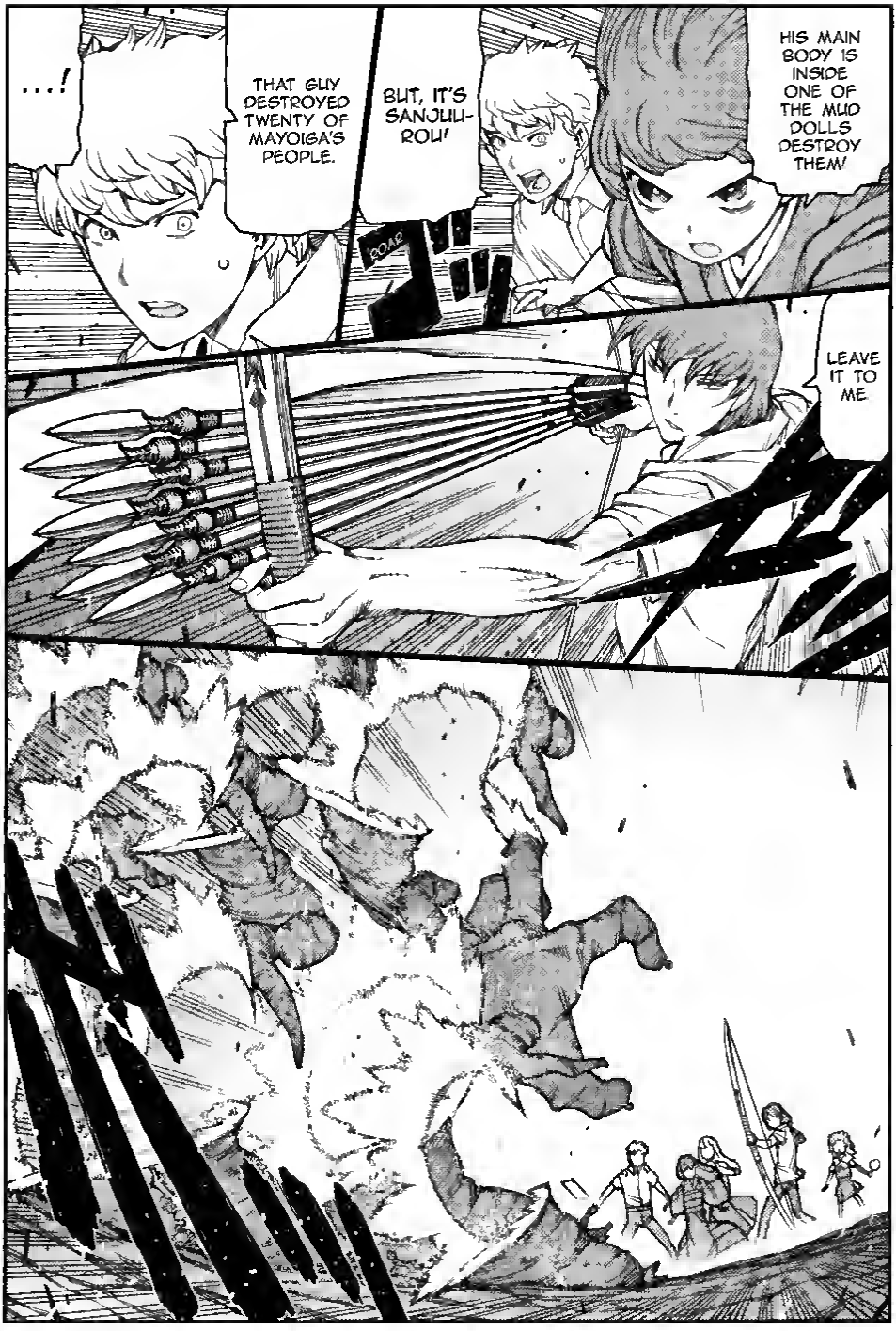
SFX: KER SPLASH



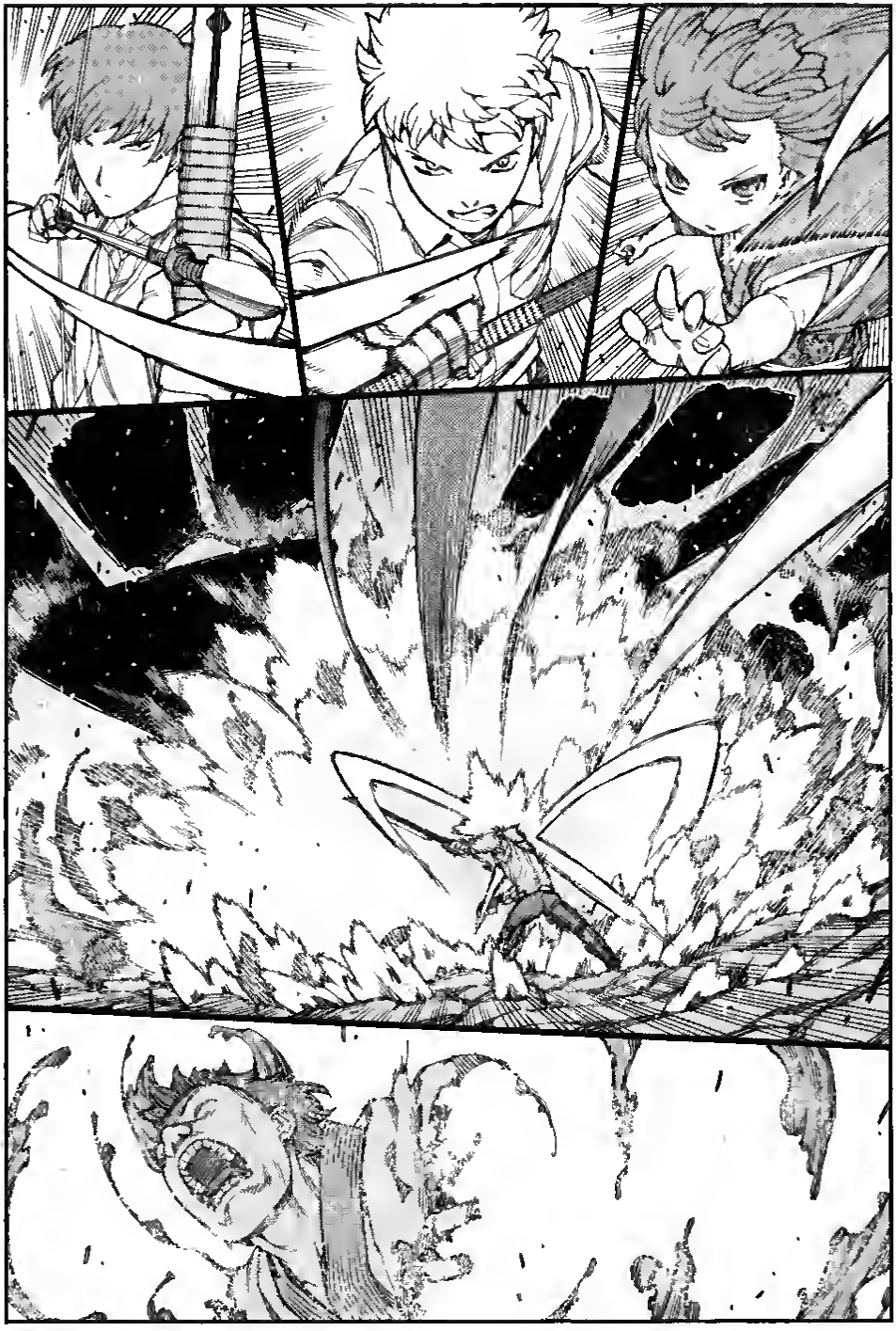
FOR THAT GUY, IT SHOULD HAVE TAKEN ALL HIS MIGHT JUST TO MAINTAIN ONE PERSON WORTH OF HIS "MUD"..
IMPOS SIBLE!
THE POT-TER'S WHEEL, YOU MEAN SANJUU-ROU?!
THE MUD OF THE "POTTER'S WHEEL"
SFX SWOOSH

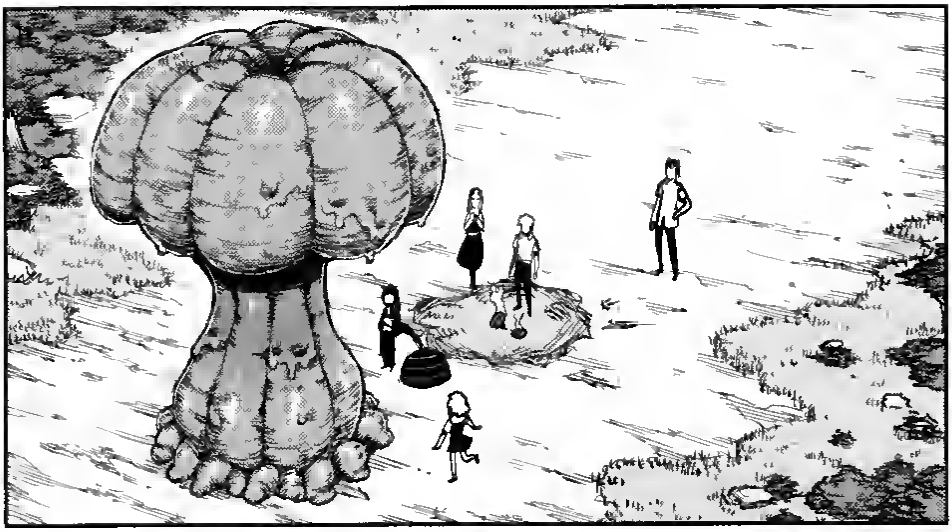
SFX
POW
POW
POW
POW
SFX
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM

SFX SURGE
SFX WHOOSH
SLAM
SHIELD WEAVE!

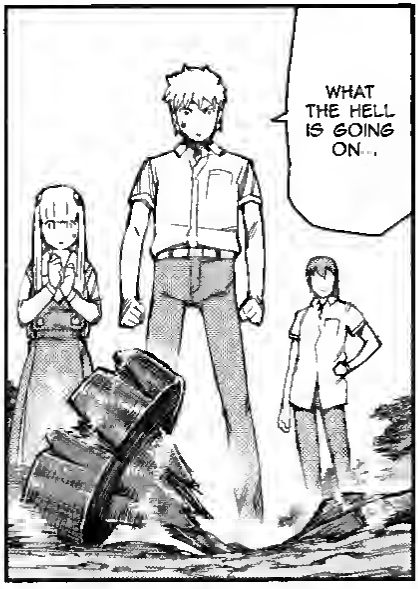

...!
THAT GUY DESTROYED TWENTY OF MAYOIGA'S PEOPLE.
BUT, IT'S SANJUU-ROU!
ROAR
HIS MAIN BODY IS INSIDE ONE OF THE MUD DOLLS DESTROY THEM!
LEAVE IT TO ME.
SFX TUG
SFX WHOOSH

SFX SPURT, SPURT, SPURT
SFX SPLAT, SPLAT, SPLAT
THERE IS NO END TO THEM!
SFX SWARM
AYE!
MI-MA-NE!
FOURTH ROW FROM THE BACK, SEVENTH FROM THE RIGHT!
SPOT-TED HIM!

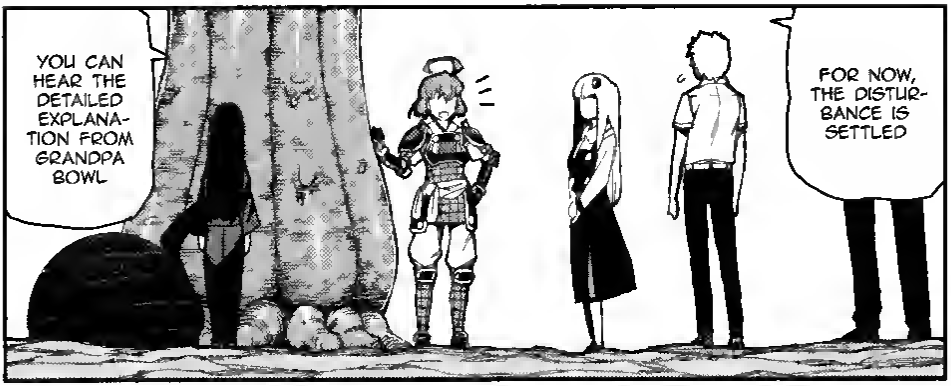

SFX
KABOOM



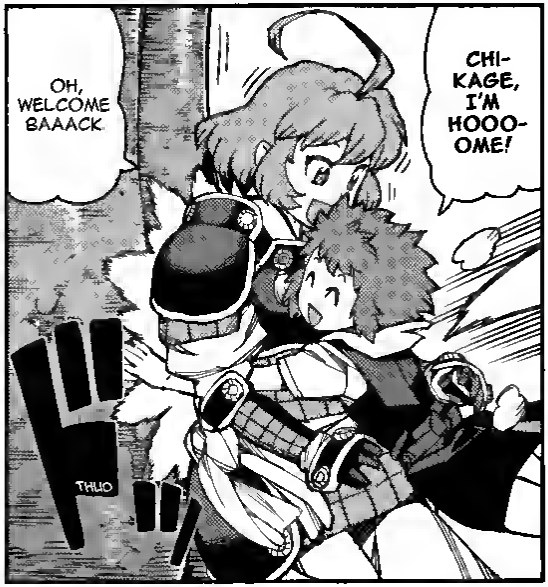
CHI-KAGE!
ABOVE ALL, I'M GLAD YOU MADE IT BACK SAFELY

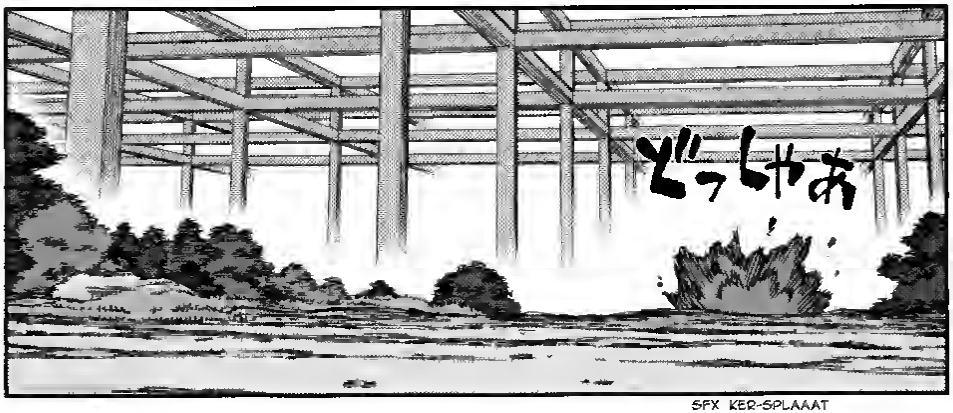

WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON...

GOOD WORK

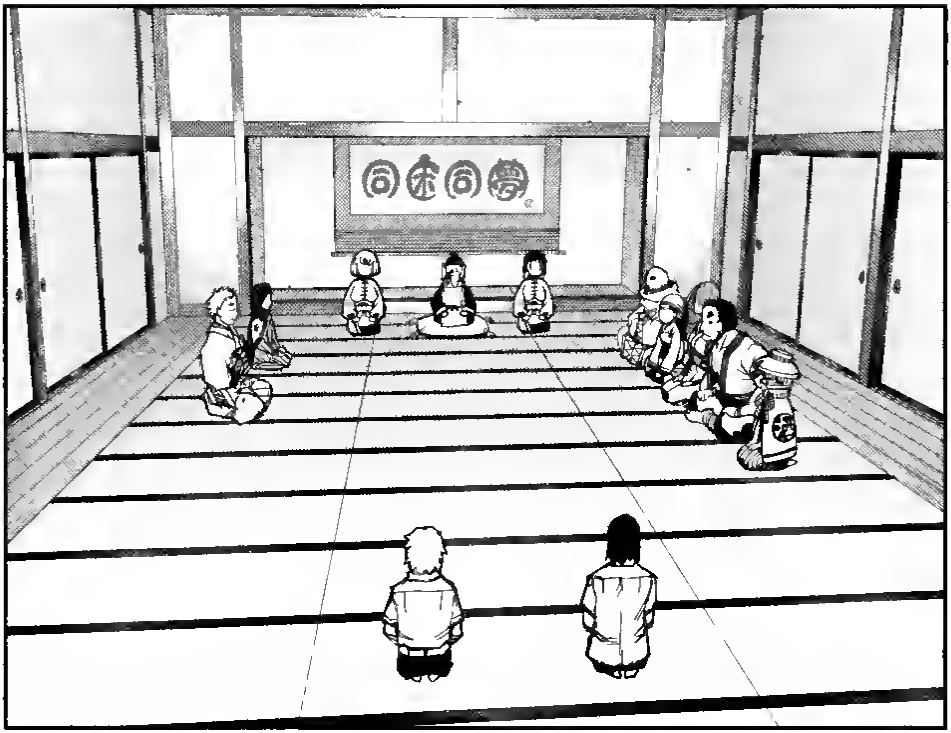


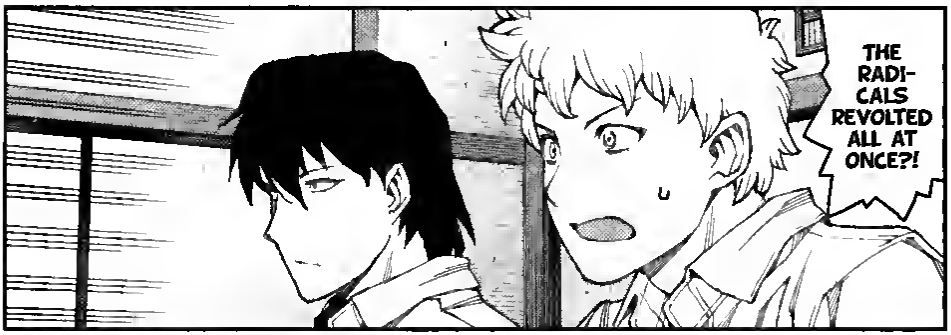
SFX WOBBLE

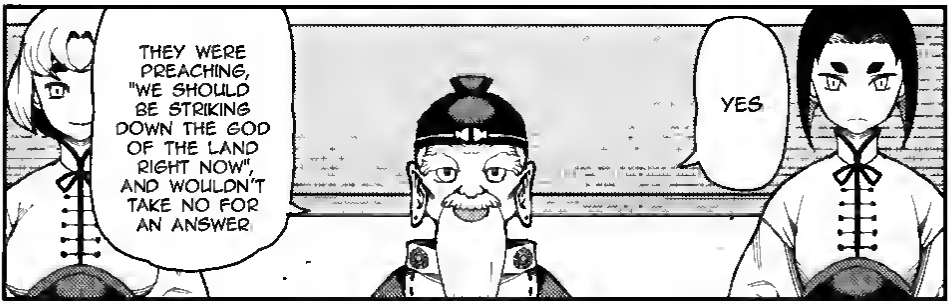




SFX KER-SPLAAAT

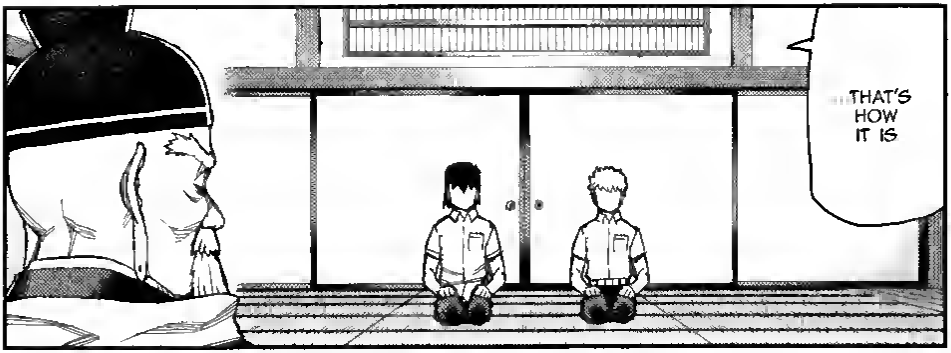



THE RADICALS REVOLTED ALL AT ONCE?!

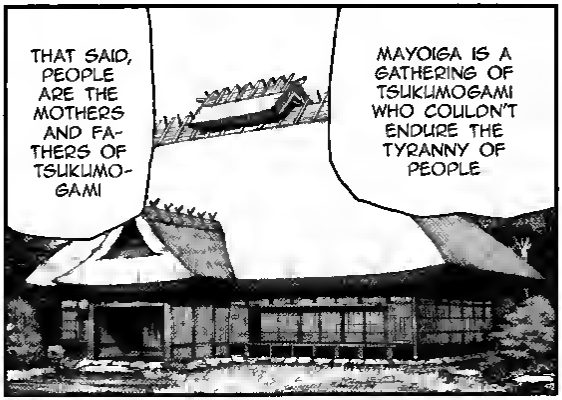

THEY WERE PREACHING, "WE SHOULD BE STRIKING DOWN THE GOD OF THE LAND RIGHT NOW", AND WOULDN'T TAKE NO FOR AN ANSWER.
YES.

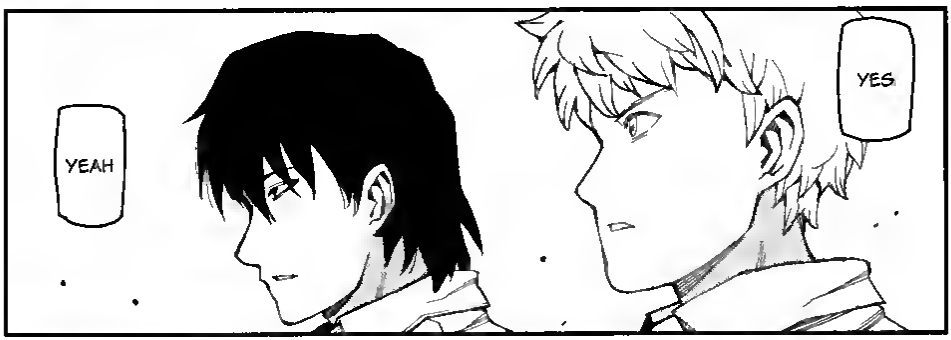
IN OTHER WORDS, THEIR ABSENCE BECAME THE TRIGGER.
HOWEVER, THEY HAD ALSO BEEN KEEPING THE OTHERS IN CHECK
THE ONES WHO ATTACKED YOU, GENBU'S GROUP, WERE THE VANGUARD OF THAT GROUP
THEN THEY VIOLATED A TABOO...
MM-HM.
WITHOUT GENBU AND COMPANY, THEY'D UNDERSTAND THAT THEY HAVE NO HOPE OF WINNING...
BUT, MAYOIGA'S LEADERSHIP IS A STRONG SET OF TSUKUMOGAMI...
THEY CONSUMED PEOPLE

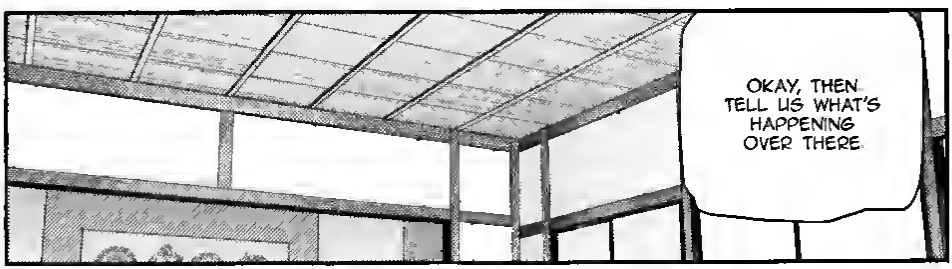
NORMALLY, TSUKUMOGAMI REPLENISH THEIR MYSTERIOUS POWER THROUGH BEING OWNED BY HUMANS.
THE HERETICAL TSUKUMOGAMI, THE "PERSON-EATER."
A TSUKUMOGAMI WHO USES THIS TABOO RITUAL IS CALLED A "PERSON-EATER."
BUT THERE IS ALSO THE POSSIBILITY OF FORCIBLY ABSORBING A HUMAN'S LIFE FOR USE AS MYSTERIOUS POWER.
HOW-EVER.
ALSO, THEY DON'T NEED AN OWNER.
THE ADVANTAGE OF THIS IS THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO GAIN GREAT POWER QUICKLY.
AND WHAT'S MORE, ONE'S SENSE OF SELF GRADUALLY BREAKS DOWN. THE BEING THEY DEGENERATE INTO CAN BE CALLED A MONSTER.
USING THIS TABOO METHOD EVEN ONCE MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE TO GAIN MYSTERIOUS POWER THROUGH BEING OWNED.


THAT'S HOW IT IS

GOT THAT, YOU TWO?
TURNING THEM INTO SACRIFICES IS UNFORGIVABLE


THAT SAID, PEOPLE ARE THE MOTHERS AND FATHERS OF TSUKUMOGAMI
MAYOIGA IS A GATHERING OF TSUKUMOGAMI WHO COULDN'T ENDURE THE TYRANNY OF PEOPLE


YEAH
YES


OKAY, THEN TELL US WHAT'S HAPPENING OVER THERE

I SEE
GENBU AND THE OTHERS FELL IN BATTLE
OUR FAILURE CAUSED YOU TROUBLE SORRY
NO, IT'S FINE...
ANYWAY, EVEN WEAKENED, SHE'S STILL A GOD OF THE LAND, EH?
AT THIS MOMENT, EVEN OUR COMPLETE POWER PROBABLY WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO CHALLENGE HER
I WONDER IF MIURAHI'S SHARD WILL HOLD FOR ANOTHER MONTH OR TWO...
I'D LIKE TO TRY USING ARUMI'S DIVINATION NOW
SO...

AH...
DON'T TELL ME THEY'VE BEEN KILLED OR SOMETHING.
WHAT HAPPENED TO ARUMI? AND CHIKAGE, MIMANE, AND AZAMI...
SFX GRAB
OK.
THEY WENT TO THE BATH.
MIMANEEEE!
AHA HA HA HA!
THEY GOT A BIT DIRTY
NOOO! LET ME GOOO..
YES, URARA
SARARA, ROPE
YOU SHOULDN'T BE GOING ANYWHERE, IN THAT CONDITION
LET GO, I CAN'T ENDURE!
BA-BATHROOM!

BOOM!
HEY, CLEAN YOURSELF OFF FIRST!
SFX SPLAAAASH
SFX KER-SPLASH
OOH...

WHAT SHOULD I DO TO GET BIG BREASTS?
I DON'T KNOW!
SFX RUB RUB
SFX SCRUB SCRUB

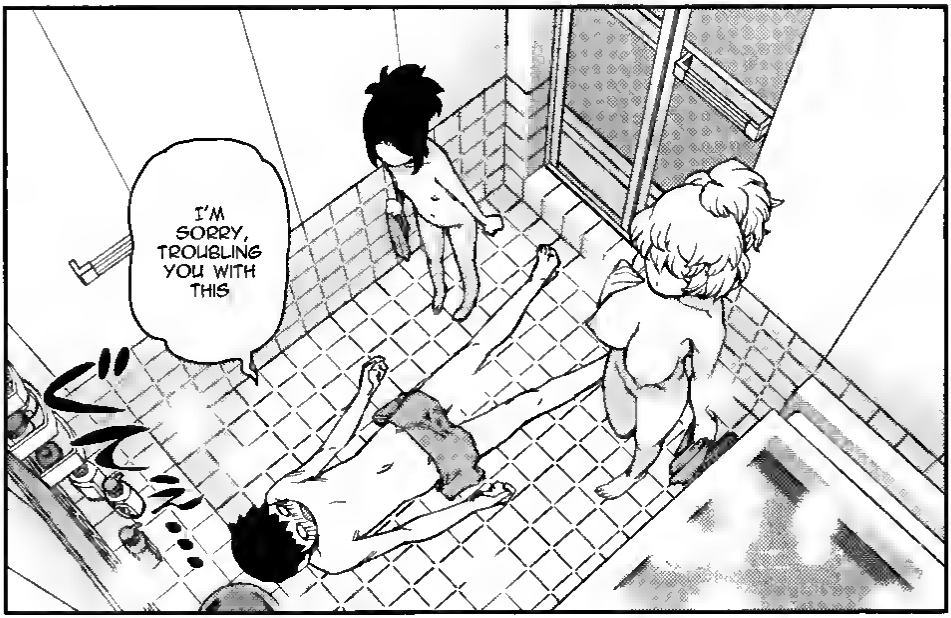
AZAMI, THAT'S YOUR DUPLICATE BODY, RIGHT?
YOU'RE TAKING GREAT CARE WITH IT.
YES, IT'S VERY IMPOR-TANT.
VERY
AS SOON AS YOU SAY THAT!
BOOM!
SFX SLAM
HEEET...
OOUUCH...

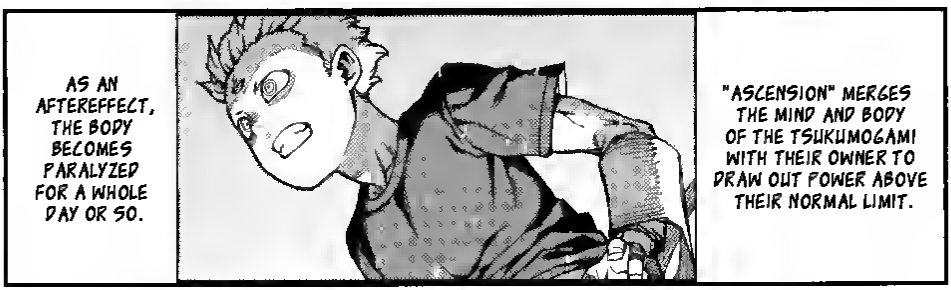
SFX LIFT
NOT NEEDED DON'T TOUCH IT
HEY, SORRYYY I'LL HELP YOU WASH IT, OKAY?
AH, THAT IS IT!
SFX GRIND, GRIND
EHHH...
MAYBE I SHOULD STOP HER...
...OH WELL, I GUESS THAT'S FINE...
THEEEN... I WILL WASH YOU, AZAMI!

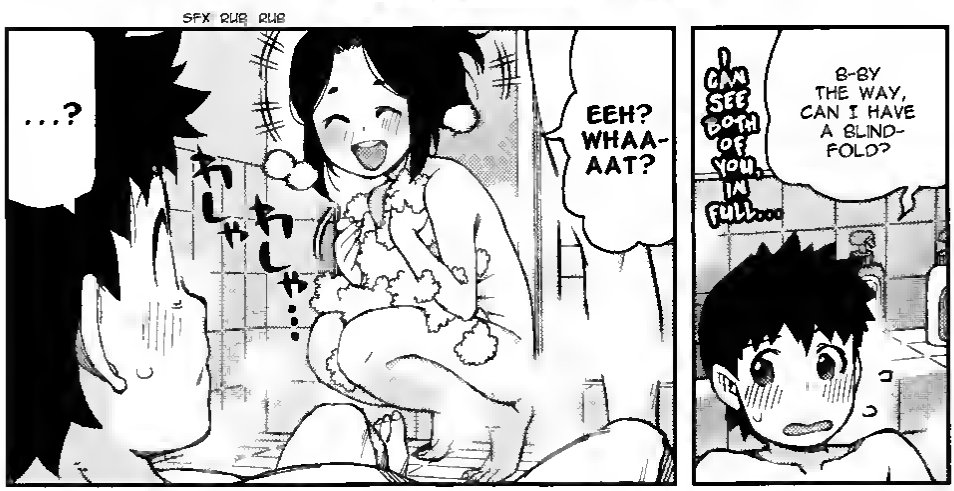
AAAAHHH!!
I'M CLEAN AL-READY!
EN-
ENOUGH!
AHH!
HAH!
OH!
SFX RUB, RUB
SFX TWITCH, TWITCH
SFX TWITCH
SFX RUB RUB
AH...
SFX DRIBBLE
ANY-ONE?
UM...
I REALLY DO NEED TO GO TO THE TOILET NOW, SO.

MEANWHILE, AT THE KAGAMI HOUSEHOLD.

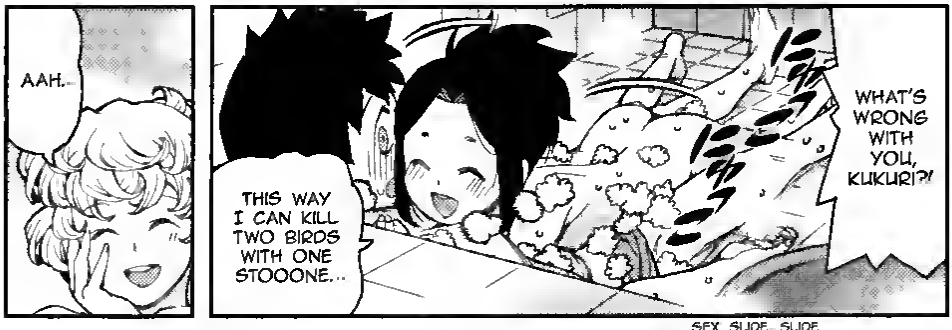
KAZUYA, SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAAAIT-ING.
SOR-RYYY.


I'M SORRY, TROUBLING YOU WITH THIS
SFX. TIRED

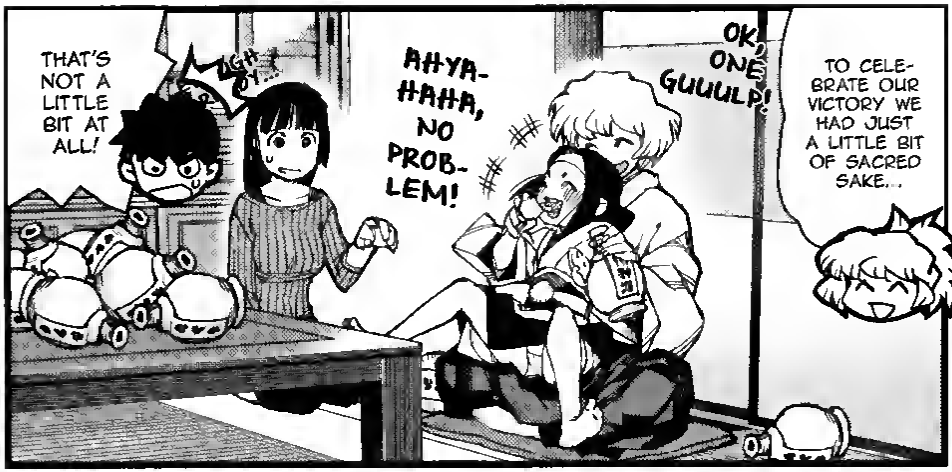

AS AN AFTEREFFECT, THE BODY BECOMES PARALYZED FOR A WHOLE DAY OR SO.
"ASCENSION" MERGES THE MIND AND BODY OF THE TSUKUMOGAMI WITH THEIR OWNER TO DRAW OUT POWER ABOVE THEIR NORMAL LIMIT.

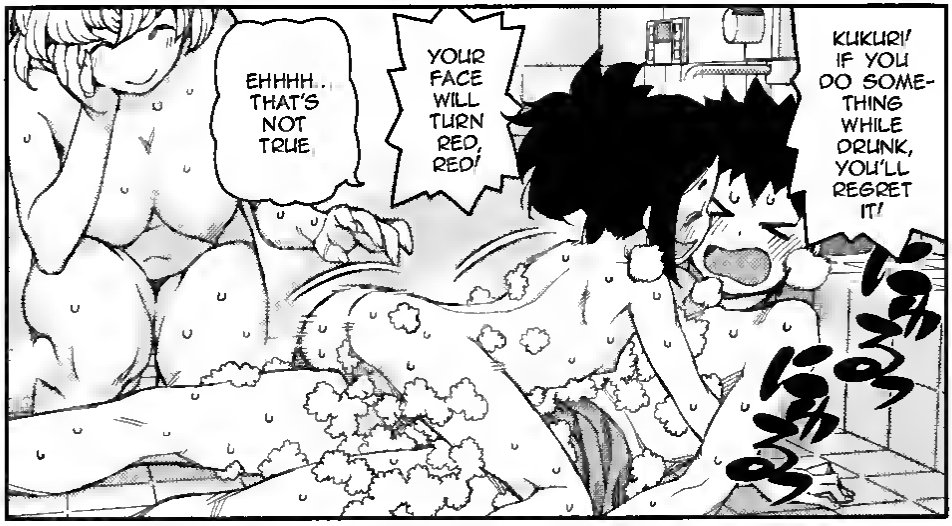

SFX RUB RUB
...?
わしゃわしゃ…
EEH? WHAA-AAT?
I CAN SEE BOTH OF YOU, IN FULL…
B-BY THE WAY, CAN I HAVE A BLIND-FOLD?

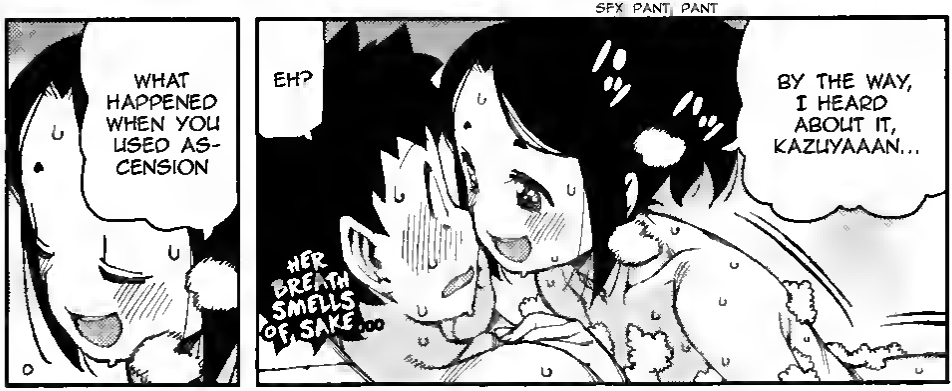
TL NOTE "BUBBLE GIRL" - A WORKER AT A SOAPLAND

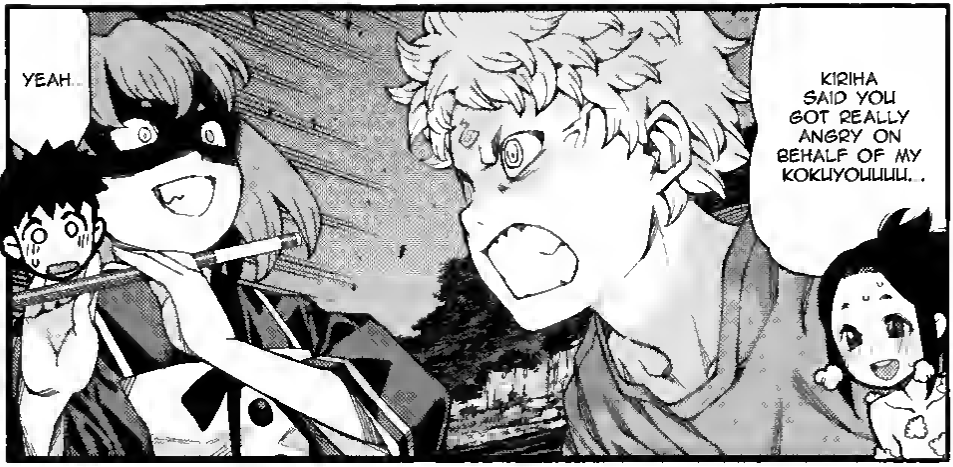


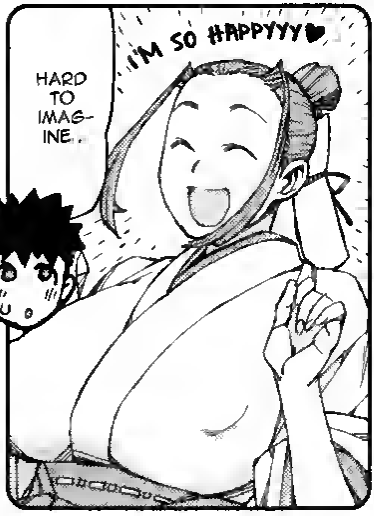
SFX SLIDE SLIDE

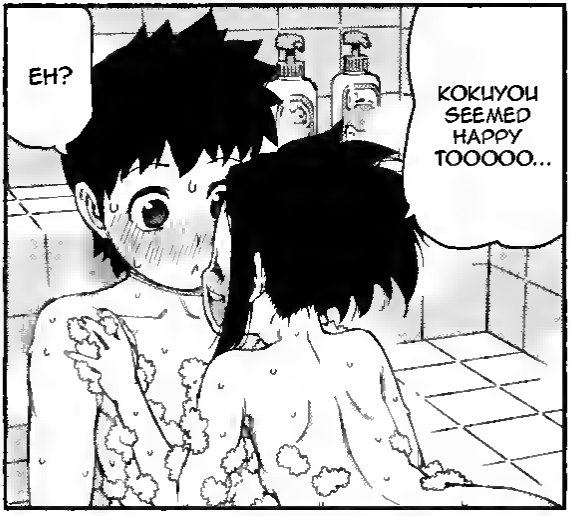

TO CELEBRATE OUR VICTORY WE HAD JUST A LITTLE BIT OF SACRED SAKE...
OK, ONE GUUULP!
AHYA-HAHA, NO PROBLEM!
THAT'S NOT A LITTLE BIT AT ALL!


KUKURI! IF YOU DO SOMETHING WHILE DRUNK, YOU'LL REGRET IT!
YOUR FACE WILL TURN RED, RED!
EHHHH.. THAT'S NOT TRUE
SFX SLIDE, SLIDE

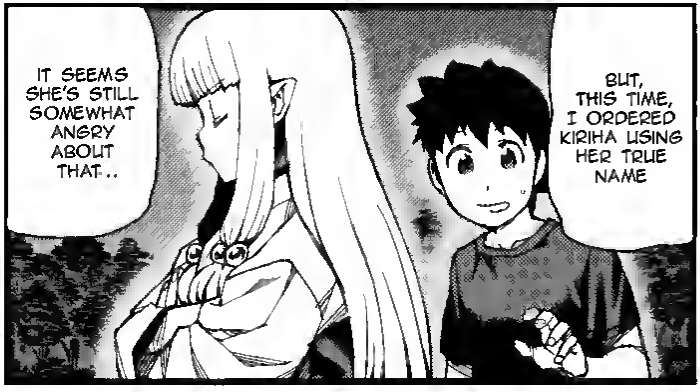

SFX PANT, PANT
BY THE WAY, I HEARD ABOUT IT, KAZUYAAAN...
EH?
HER BREATH SMELLS OF SAKE
WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU USED ASCENSION

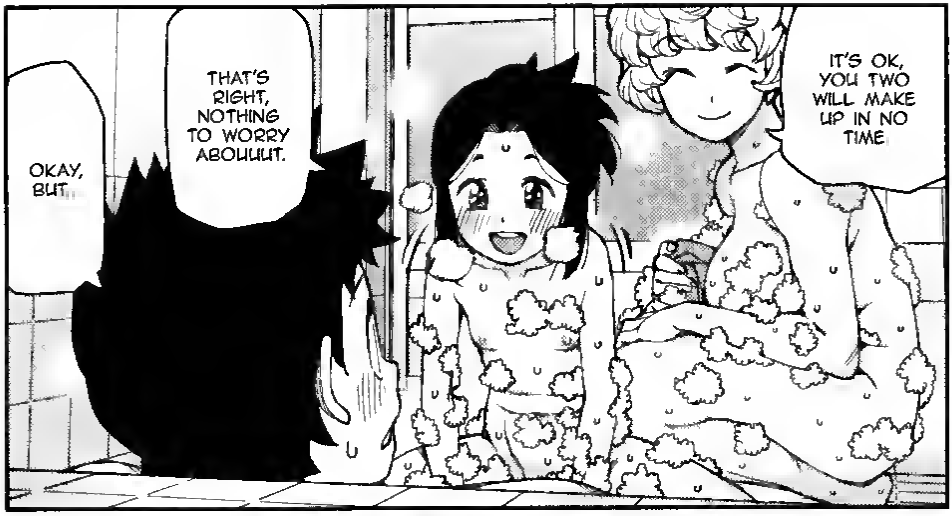

YEAH..
KIRIHA SAID YOU GOT REALLY ANGRY ON BEHALF OF MY KOKUYOUUUU..


I'M SO HAPPYYY♥
HARD TO IMAGINE..


EH?
KOKUYOU SEEMED HAPPY TOOOOO...

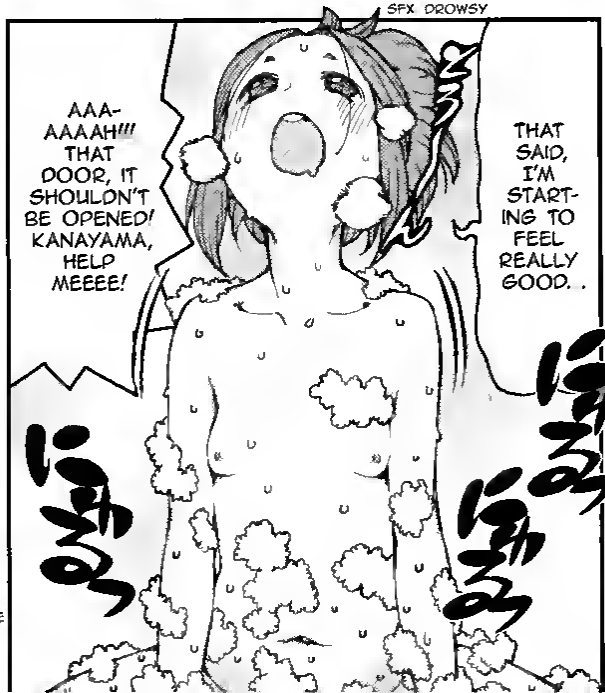
AH, SHE WAS PROBABLY JUST BEING DISTANT TO SCOLD YOU


IT SEEMS SHE'S STILL SOMEWHAT ANGRY ABOUT THAT..
BUT, THIS TIME, I ORDERED KIRIHA USING HER TRUE NAME

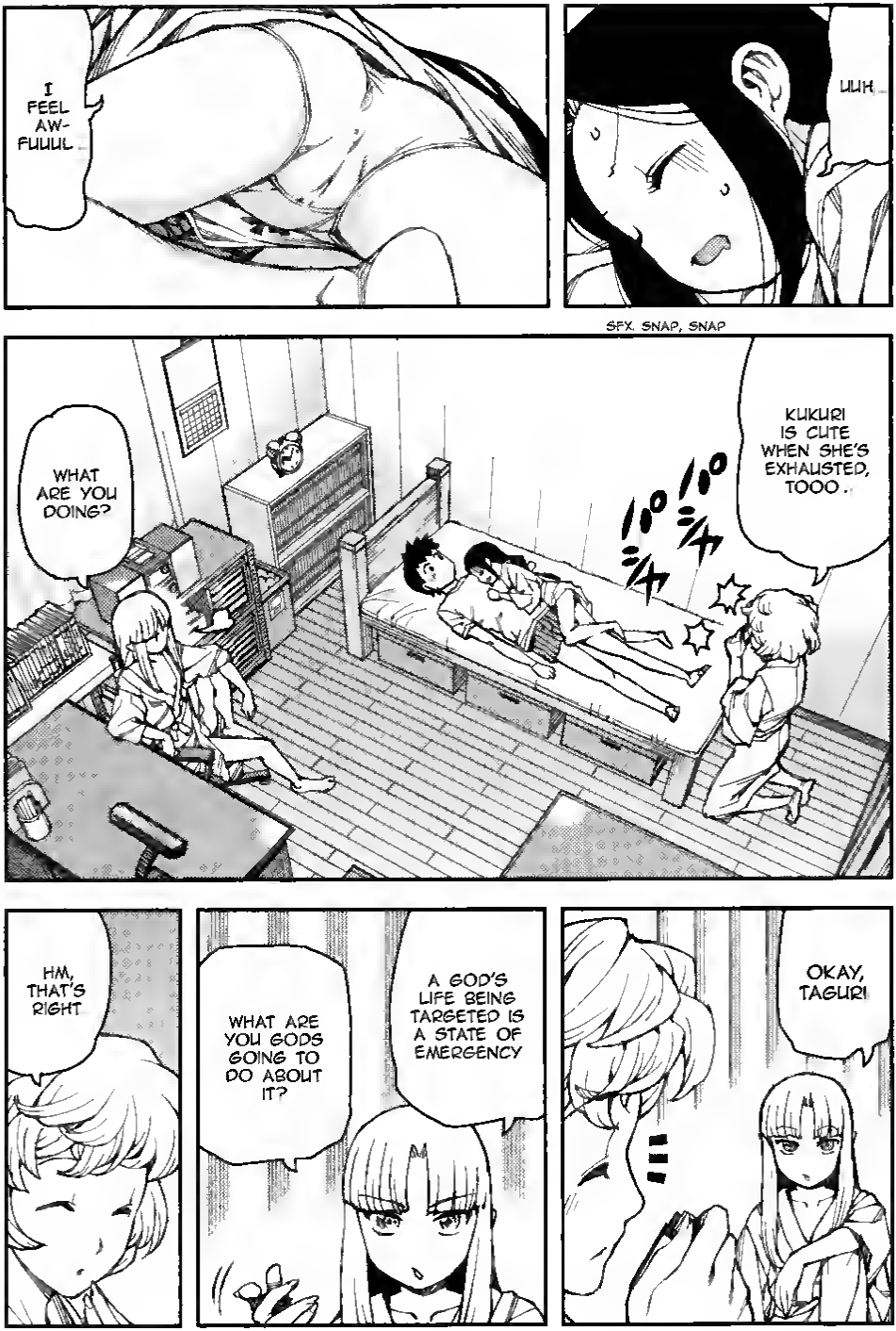

IT'S OK, YOU TWO WILL MAKE UP IN NO TIME.
THAT'S RIGHT, NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUUUT.
OKAY, BUT...

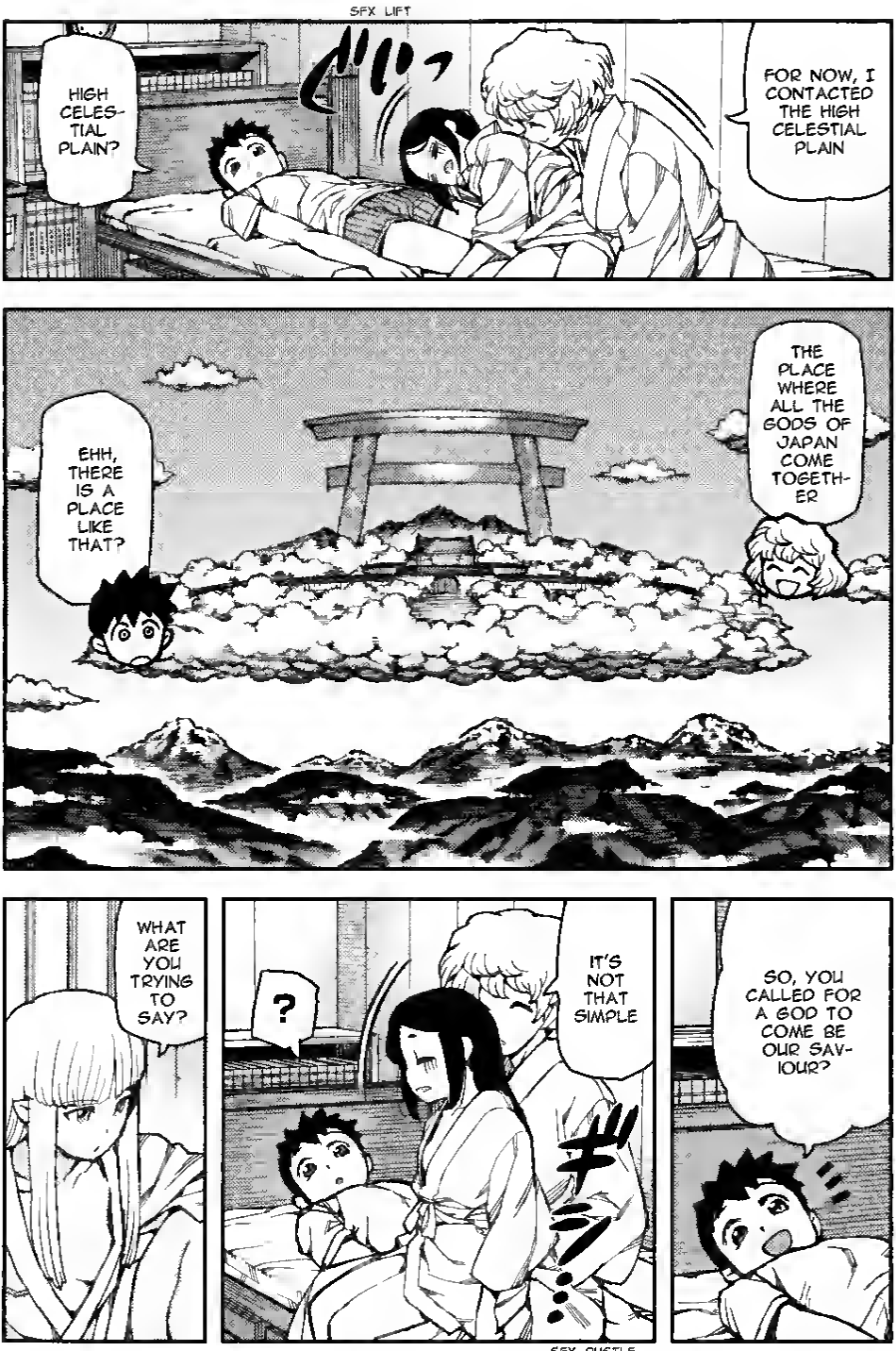
...

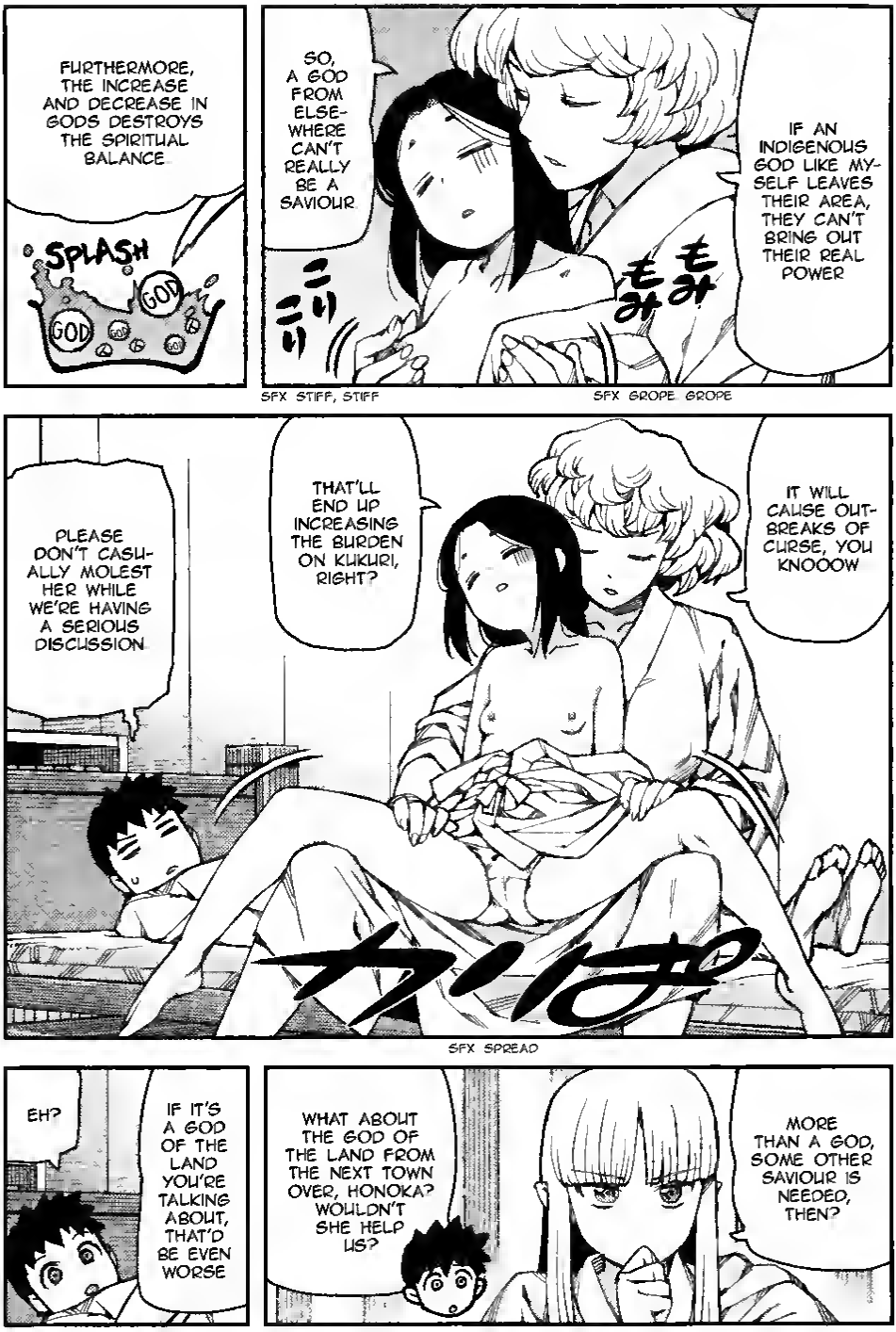
SFX SMILE
YOU MONEY-GRUB-BING GOD!
THAT WILL BE 20 THOU-SAND
SFX SLIDE


SFX DROWSY
AAA-AAAAH!!! THAT DOOR, IT SHOULDN'T BE OPENED! KANAYAMA, HELP MEEEE!
THAT SAID, I'M START-ING TO FEEL REALLY GOOD. .
SFX SLIDE, SLIDE

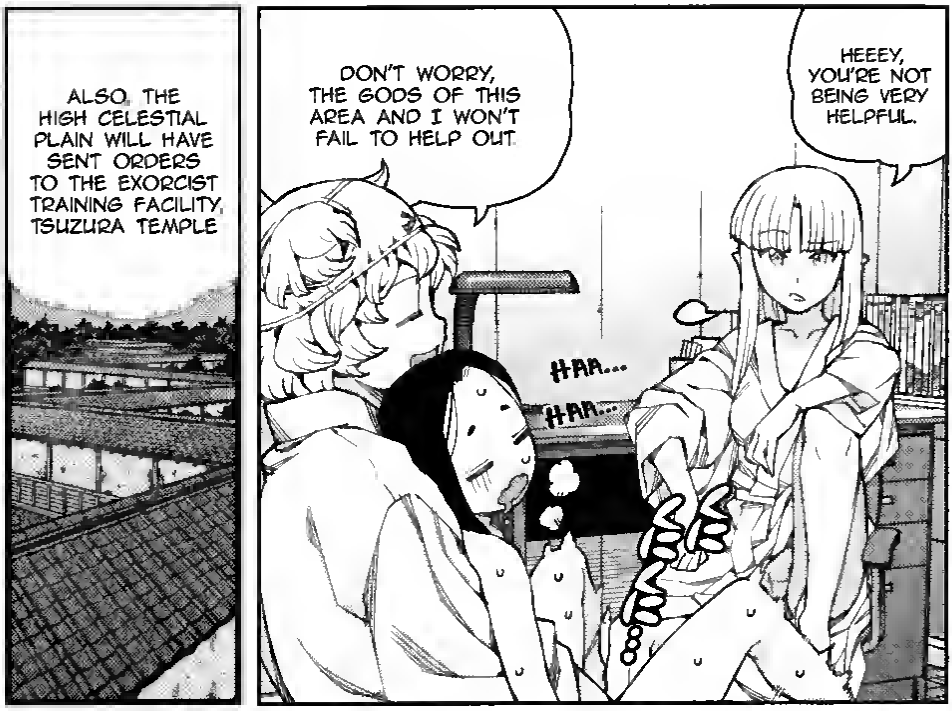
OK, KUKURI, THAT'S FAR ENOOOUGH
EHHH... NOOO..
THAT WAS DANGER-OUS...
SFX LIFT
SFX DRIBBLE
AH, IT'S A GOOD THING WE'RE IN THE BATH
AH—
THAT DOOR GOT OPENED AFTER ALL!
AAAHN!
AH!
EH!
IT'S OK, I'LL TAKE OVER.♡
SFX TWITCH, TWITCH


I FEEL AW-FUUUL..
UUH..
SFX. SNAP, SNAP
KUKURI IS CUTE WHEN SHE'S EXHAUSTED, TOOO..
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
HM, THAT'S RIGHT
WHAT ARE YOU GODS GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?
A GOD'S LIFE BEING TARGETED IS A STATE OF EMERGENCY
OKAY, TAGURI


SFX LIFT
HIGH CELESTIAL PLAIN?
FOR NOW, I CONTACTED THE HIGH CELESTIAL PLAIN
EHH, THERE IS A PLACE LIKE THAT?
THE PLACE WHERE ALL THE GODS OF JAPAN COME TOGETHER
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY?
?
IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE
SFX RUSTLE
SO, YOU CALLED FOR A GOD TO COME BE OUR SAVIOUR?


FURTHERMORE, THE INCREASE AND DECREASE IN GODS DESTROYS THE SPIRITUAL BALANCE
SPLASH
GOD
GOD
SO, A GOD FROM ELSE-WHERE CAN'T REALLY BE A SAVIOUR
IF AN INDIGENOUS GOD LIKE MY-SELF LEAVES THEIR AREA, THEY CAN'T BRING OUT THEIR REAL POWER
こりこり
もみもみ
SFX STIFF, STIFF
SFX GROPE GROPE
PLEASE DON'T CASU-ALLY MOLEST HER WHILE WE'RE HAVING A SERIOUS DISCUSSION
THAT'LL END UP INCREASING THE BURDEN ON KUKURI, RIGHT?
IT WILL CAUSE OUT-BREAKS OF CURSE, YOU KNOOOW
カハッ
SFX SPREAD
EH?
IF IT'S A GOD OF THE LAND YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, THAT'D BE EVEN WORSE
WHAT ABOUT THE GOD OF THE LAND FROM THE NEXT TOWN OVER, HONOKA? WOULDN'T SHE HELP US?
MORE THAN A GOD, SOME OTHER SAVIOUR IS NEEDED, THEN?

THOSE SHARDS ARE VERY DANGEROUS THINGS.
IT'S SAID IF YOU GATHER SEVERAL OF THEM, IT'LL CAUSE DISASTER.
YOU KNOW THAT THE GODS OF THE LAND HOUSE STONE SHARDS FROM THE CELESTIAL PILLAR, RIGHT?
YES
SFX POINT
BECAUSE OF THAT, EVEN IGNORING THE SPIRITUAL BALANCE FOR NOW, WE CAN'T CALL ON A GOD OF THE LAND.
SFX. SNUG
SFX SLIIIDE
THAT IS UN-KNOOO-OOWN.
WHAT IN THE WORLD COULD HAP-PEN. .


ALSO, THE HIGH CELESTIAL PLAIN WILL HAVE SENT ORDERS TO THE EXORCIST TRAINING FACILITY, TSUZURA TEMPLE
DON'T WORRY, THE GODS OF THIS AREA AND I WON'T FAIL TO HELP OUT.
HEEEY, YOU'RE NOT BEING VERY HELPFUL.
HAA...
HAA...
SFX RUB RUB RUB
SFX FLOP
HM, SHOULD WE EXPECT MUCH...
AAAH! IT'S STICKY!!
SURELY, THEY'LL SEND US SOMEONE TALENTED
WHO COULD IT BE AT THIS HOUR?
AH?
DING DONG

TO BE CONTINUED IN VOLUME 13.

NO GOOD, NO GOOD, I'M GONNA LOSE IIIT...
YES, KIRIHA IS A GOOD GIIIRL...
AH— AH...
IT'S A SHAME YOU GOT BIG, KIRIHA.
I WANT TO PLAY WITH YOU AGAAAIN
※ REFER TO VOLUME 4: CHAPTER 15: KANAYAMA
DON'T BRING THAT UP! DON'T BRING IT UP!
I WON'T DO THAT ANY-MORE!
HAA... HAA...

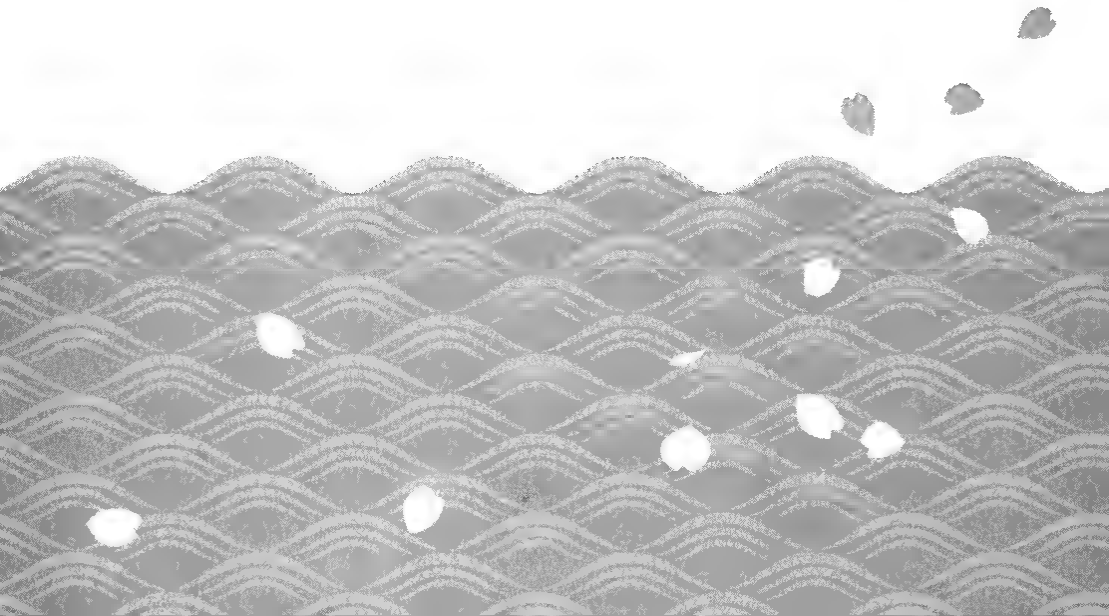
Afterword

Hamada Yoshikazu here, long time no see.

Volume 12 ended up being a volume of nothing but fighting. Having been drawing nothing but battles for a while, I got frustrated, and that frustration exploded in chapter 62. I was glad that I was able to get Azami, Chikage, and Taguri naked for the first time during that chapter. I want to get the remaining female members of Mayoiga naked as well.

I tried to remove their clothes at the Mayoiga baths before, but it was rejected. Getting them naked before any episodes where you get to know their character is no good. But from now on, if I do something like dig deeply into Mayoiga's personalities and backstories, there would be no end to it.

I shouldn't have written that I want to get every female character naked…



I regret that a little.
Oh well, I'll keep working hard.

I'll probably end up mobilizing all the characters I wasn't able to get naked and draw a bath scene in the last volume.

By the way, once again, the story didn't progress that much this time.
I could probably summarize it as something like: Enemies attack.
Kukuri's strong. (I did it!)
I have to do something about this soon…! Thinking that, I tried moving things along a great deal in the chapter I'm currently writing, 65.
Enjoy it.

Well then, let's meet again in volume 13.

Hamada Yoshikazu

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